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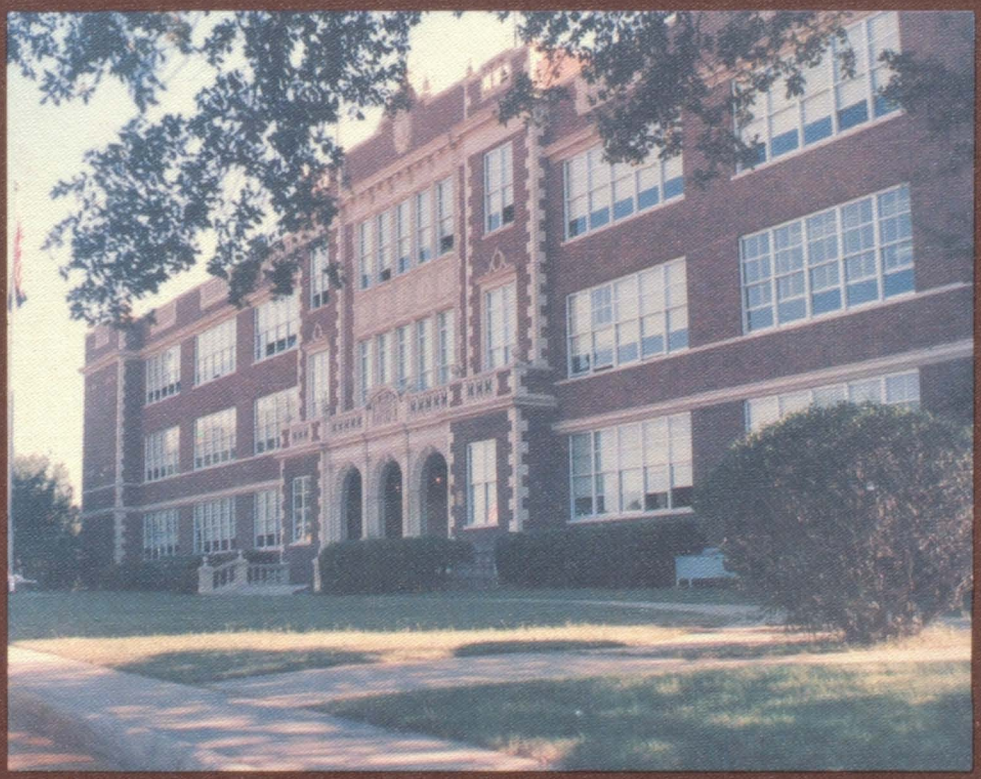

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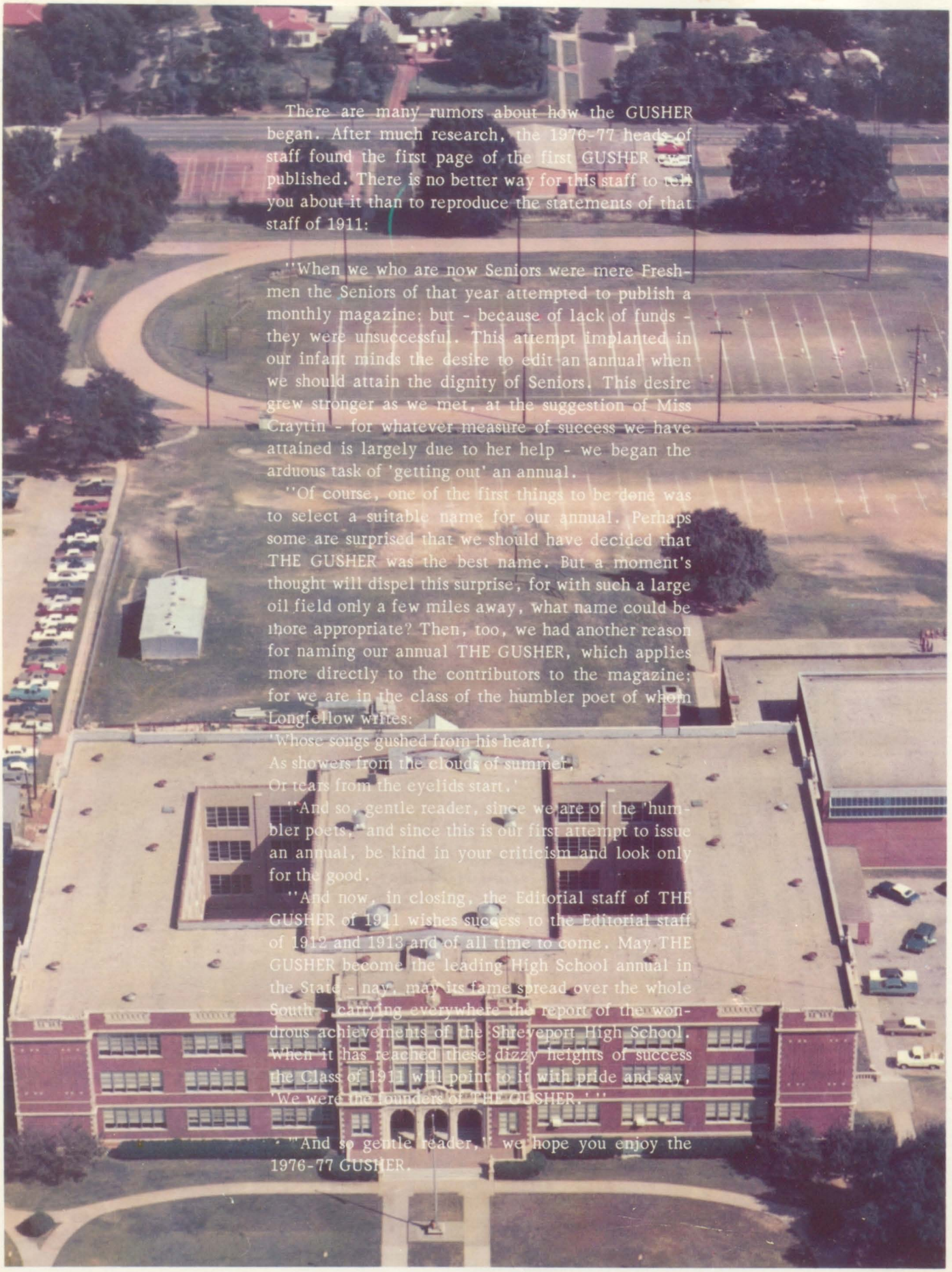

There are many rumors about how the GUSHER began. After much research, the 1976-77 heads of staff found the first page of the first GUSHER ever published. There is no better way for this staff to tell you about it than to reproduce the statements of that staff of 1911:

"When we who are now Seniors were mere Freshmen the Seniors of that year attempted to publish a monthly magazine; but - because of lack of funds - they were unsuccessful. This attempt implanted in our infant minds the desire to edit an annual when we should attain the dignity of Seniors. This desire grew stronger as we met, at the suggestion of Miss Craytin - for whatever measure of success we have attained is largely due to her help - we began the arduous task of 'getting out' an annual.

"Of course, one of the first things to be done was to select a suitable name for our annual. Perhaps some are surprised that we should have decided that THE GUSHER was the best name. But a moment's thought will dispel this surprise, for with such a large oil field only a few miles away, what name could be more appropriate? Then, too, we had another reason for naming our annual THE GUSHER, which applies more directly to the contributors to the magazine; for we are in the class of the humbler poet of whom Longfellow writes:

'Whose songs gushed from his heart,
As showers from the clouds of summer,
Or tears from the eyelids start.'

"And so, gentle reader, since we are of the 'humbler poets,' and since this is our first attempt to issue an annual, be kind in your criticism and look only for the good.

"And now, in closing, the Editorial staff of THE GUSHER of 1911 wishes success to the Editorial staff of 1912 and 1913 and of all time to come. May THE GUSHER become the leading High School annual in the State - nay, may its fame spread over the whole South, carrying everywhere the report of the wondrous achievements of the Shreveport High School. When it has reached these dizzy heights of success the Class of 1911 will point to it with pride and say, 'We were the founders of THE GUSHER.'"

"And so gentle reader," we hope you enjoy the 1976-77 GUSHER.

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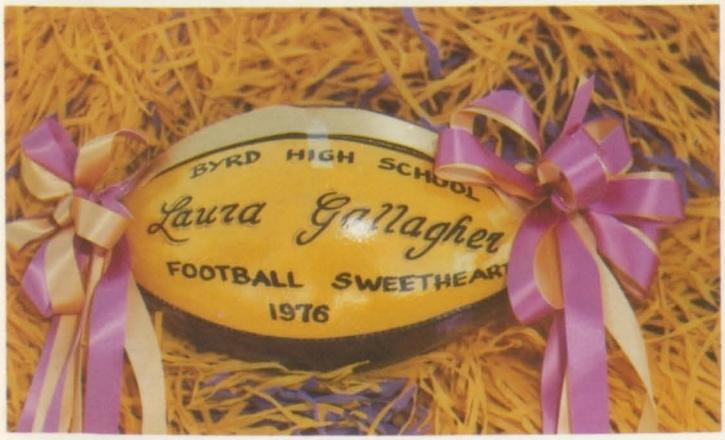
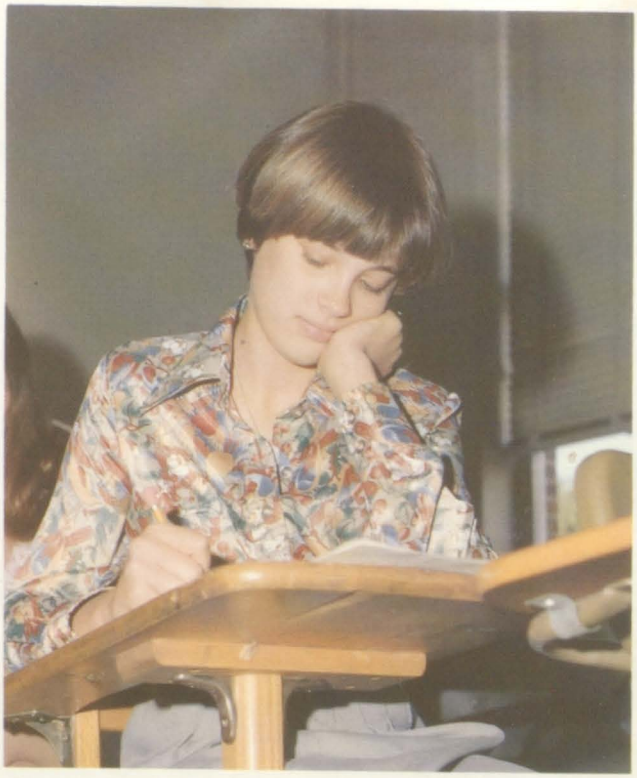


At Byrd We Heard Sounds

Many things contributed to the life of a student at Byrd. In his years at Byrd each student was influenced by teachers, classmates, and the various activities in which he participated. Maturity was gained as each student carried out his daily routine with anticipation. There were pep rallies, planned activities, and various sports to watch for enjoyment. Hope, silence, sadness, spirit, and joy were experienced by every student at Byrd every day throughout the year. The impression made on students by experiences and people met will remain for life.

. . . of Life,

Opposite Page: Top: Many classrooms had colorful bulletin boards to brighten the room and add to Jacket spirit. Center Left: Miss Wanda Whittington and Mrs. Phalamae Gray, sponsors of GUSHER, discussed plans for the 1977 edition. Bottom Right: Students found that the regular walk up and down stairs was part of life at Byrd. Bottom Left: Penny Hartman, feature twirler, performed with the band during halftime of the Woodlawn game. Top Left: Chris Carter stopped at his locker before Humanities class to sort out books and materials needed. Top Right: Through experience, Mrs. Lynda McElroy's bookkeeping class learned the importance of accuracy. Bottom: Dr. and Mrs. B. L. Shaw enjoyed the victory over Huntington at the Homecoming game.



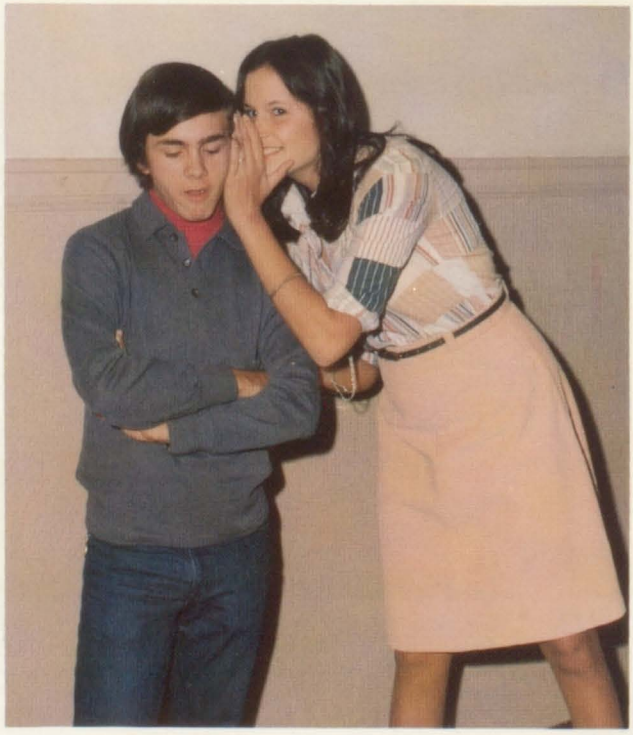
. . . of Hope

Top Left: Dawn Akins hoped to do well on her geometry exam. Top Right: Even when there was total darkness, the flame of hope prevailed. Bottom Right: Juniors yelled in their anticipation of the spirit stick. Opposite Page: Top Left: The rays of hope will creep through even the toughest obstacles. Top Right: Cheerleaders decided which class was to receive the spirit stick. Bottom Left: Laura Gallagher gave Dr. Shaw a piece of victory cake. Bottom Right: Everyone's hopes were fulfilled as they celebrated a flag raising.

Every student at Byrd had hopes for their school years. Whether it was hope for a victory in sports or hope for better grades, many anticipated better times in the future. Students at Byrd soon realized rays of hope appeared even at their darkest moments, thus, making many of their dreams come true. Dreams of belonging were fulfilled as many students became members of service organizations. Through its many establishments Byrd High soon gratified the ambitions of its student body.

The halls of C. E. Byrd were filled with many silences. A silence was felt by every student at least once during the day, whether in assembly during prayer, in the halls, or in the library. These sounds of silence had a palpable reality. One might have found a person in class by himself taking time out to read a book, or one might have found the silence of respect as Dr. Shaw spoke to the student body. This same silence might have been felt during the posting of the colors or at the end of the day after the students had left to go home. For whatever reason, the sounds of silence were a reality to each and every student as a part of C. E. Byrd High School.

. . . of Silence,



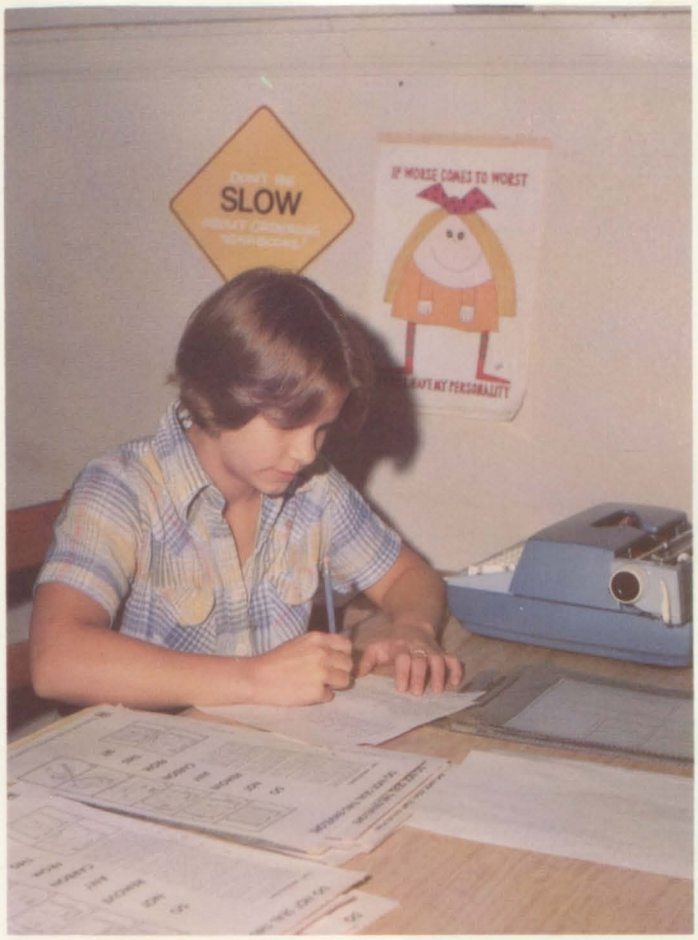
Opposite Page: Top: The sounds of silence, felt by every student at Byrd, were reflected in many places around the Shreveport-Bossier area. Middle Left: With silent respect, members of the military folded the flag at the end of the day. Bottom Left: The halls of C. E. Byrd reflected the silence at the end of the school day. Bottom Right: Lauren Fillet whispered a secret to Fernando Munoz.
Bottom: Lance Rist, Tom Bittick, and Billy Roussell relaxed for a moment of silence during the football luncheon.

Top Left: The cheerleaders presented a special cake to the football team at lunch. Top Right: Portraying Barney Fife, Scott Politz gave a pep talk to the football team during the Key Club skit. Bottom Left: Hanging over the gate to the football practice field was the sign made by Leo Club. Bottom Right: Ending the Go West Day Assembly, Stingerettes joined in singing "We Are Jackets."
Opposite Page: Top: Football co-captains Billy Roussel and Craig Gilliam, proudly representing their teammates, waited for the referee's call of the toss. Bottom Left: A sign of school spirit was the football team's locker room, decorated by the Pep Squad. Bottom Right: Art Club students diligently worked on backdrops which were used in the LASC Convention.

. . . of Spirit

That special feeling known as Jacket spirit encompassed all life at the city of Byrd. Through competition, athletes performed to their fullest ability, upholding their school spirit. Highly ranked debaters and musicians added to the spirited student body. Various organizations raised the enthusiasm at assemblies by presenting skits and commercials. If not heard, spirit could be seen in banners and posters hung in a quiet hall, from the attendance at athletic events, and outside on the practice field as the band rehearsed and R.O.T.C. drilled. Whether yelling for their class in Battle Cry at a Pep Rally or working for the school through a service organization, all students took part in making Byrd a school distinguished in spirit.

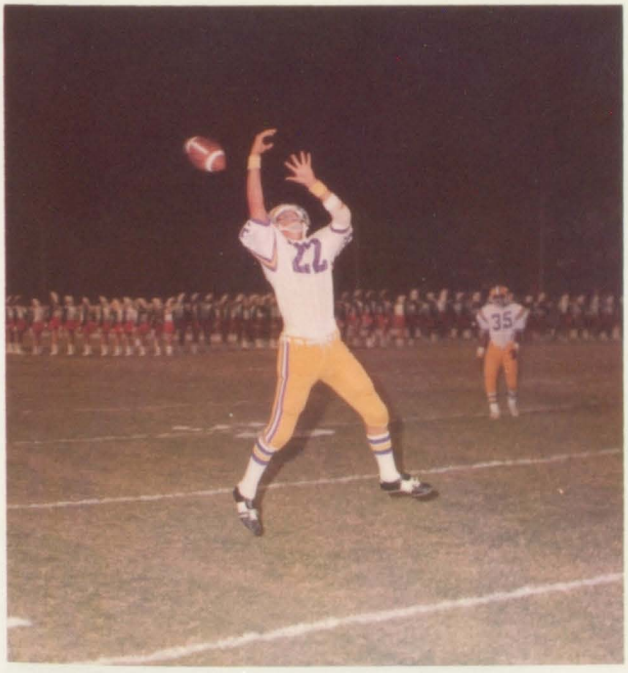
Although students of Byrd will look back upon most of their high school memories with happiness, some of the sadder times will also be remembered. Long faces and tears were seen upon many occasions over many things. Caught up in the frantic pace of deadlines for class assignments and school activities, many students felt the frustration of limited time. Some disappointments experienced during the year might seem small in the future but at the time were very real and important. A lost friend or football game, an injury or heartbreak, or shattered dreams have touched many throughout their high school years. Disappointments, however, were soon overshadowed by better times found at Byrd, and the joy of winning, making new friends, and achieving higher goals dried many tears.



Opposite Page: Top: Hopper Fulco and a losing scoreboard were examples of less happy times; however, the Jackets did come back to defeat Huntington with a score of 14-13. Bottom Left: Ronalee Jorgensen gave way to tears; an expression of sadness. Bottom Right: Loaded with books, Kirk Labor walked to school with tests on his mind.

Top Left: As GUSHER editor, Jenny Verhalen discovered the hard work needed to put together the yearbook. Top Right: Scott Petree and Jim Moss reflected the feelings of the football players after losing a game. Bottom Left: After missing the football early in the game, Billy Boswell came back to make a touchdown. Bottom Right: Loneliness enveloped many students during their year at Byrd.

. . . of Sadness,

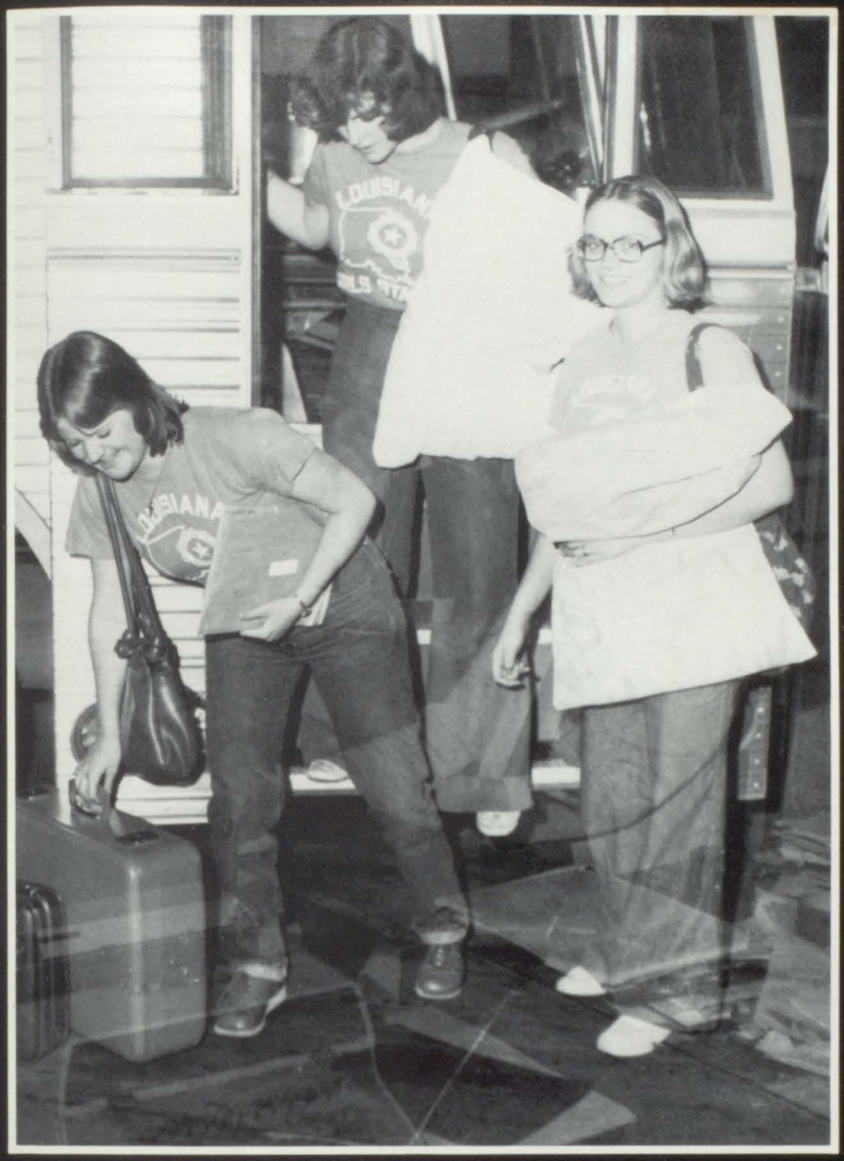


The happy memories at Byrd High School will remain with us for most of our lives. There will be many memories to lock in our hearts when we leave this old building for the last time. The sounds of joy at Byrd were many: A sigh of relief upon receiving an "A" on the final exam, the roar of a class after winning the spirit stick, applause after the band's playing of one's favorite song, and the cheering after another Jacket victory. There will be very many happy times in our lives, but among the most important ones, the times in our high school years at C. E. Byrd will stand out above all.

Top Right: The Yellow Jackets had the fever during the football season. Middle Left: Cal Griffith slid into home to score another victory for the Jacket Baseball team. Middle Right: The Sippy Hut produced "Super Sippies." Bottom Right: Dan Sandifer portrayed "Little Leroy" in the Key Club skit.
Opposite Page: Top Left: The referee's raised arms symbolized an accomplishment of victory. Top Right: Paul Davidson pinned Stephanie Luck's Homecoming corsage on her. Bottom Left: Mattie Tebele's beautiful smile showed her joy. Bottom Right: Before school, the parking lot was the place where the buzz and laughter of friends talking could be heard.

. . . and of Joy

HONORS



Some people think honor comes in the form of fame and prestige instead of the form of peace and self-satisfaction. Doing a job well, no matter how small or insignificant, is real honor. "True worth is in being, not seeming - In doing, each day that goes by, some little good - not in dreaming of great things to do by and by."

OPPOSITE PAGE: This trophy represented one of the many awards won by Byrd High School students. ABOVE LEFT: Debbie Parker, Meg Osetinsky, and Doris Franks, Girls' State participants, were glad to get home after a long, hard week in Baton Rouge. BOTTOM: Dr. Shaw presented Billy Boswell with the "Outstanding Christian Athlete" award.

Mr. and Miss Gusher

Matilda Tebele

David William Manry

The highest honors which the GUSHER Staff can bestow upon two individuals are the titles of Mr. and Miss GUSHER. Each year, after careful consideration, the Staff votes for two seniors, excluding senior favorites and GUSHER Staff members, who they feel have contributed the most valuable services to Byrd. Those elected must have attended Byrd for at least three years and maintained high character values, high academic standards, and other unique qualities associated with those respected by their teachers and fellow students. This year, the GUSHER Staff proudly presents Miss GUSHER, Matilda Tebele, and Mr. GUSHER, David William Manry.

In addition to serving as president of the Spanish Club, Matilda maintained the grade average necessary to become a member of the Spanish Honor Society. She was an active member of both the Pep Squad and the "Z" Club. At the end of her junior year, she was elected to membership in NHS. As a senior, Matilda continued her participation in the Spanish Club. She served as treasurer of the Pep Squad, and she was also honored with the election to the position of secretary of the City Council "Z" Club.

Entering Byrd as a freshman, David served as Student Council representative; as a sophomore he worked as a HIGH LIFE reporter. Membership in Mu Alpha Theta and Art Club were among his activities as a junior. In the spring of his junior year, he was inducted into NHS and Who's Who Among American High School Students. As a senior, David served as vice-president of Student Council and treasurer of Art Club. Placing second in the Poor Man's Supper Poster Contest and being one of five state PTA Poster Contest winners exemplified his achievement in art. Also, during his senior year, David was a member of Key Club, Science Club, and the newly formed Ecology Club.

Senior Favorites 1976-1977

Margaret Bell

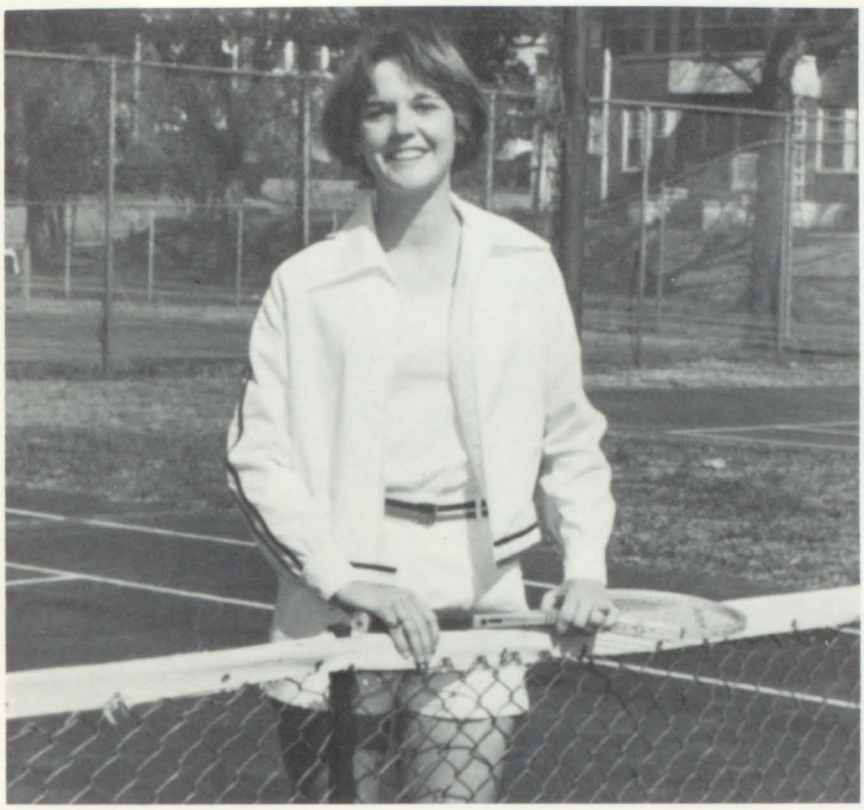
Richard Lyman

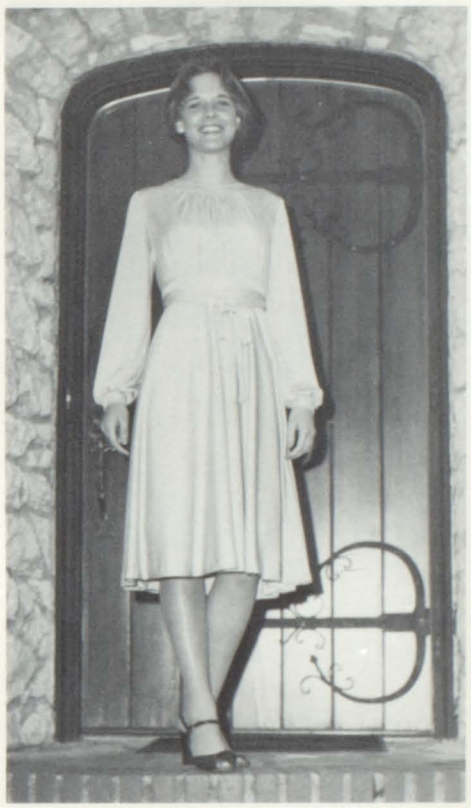
Senior Favorites

Scott Politz

Sara Reisz

1976-1977





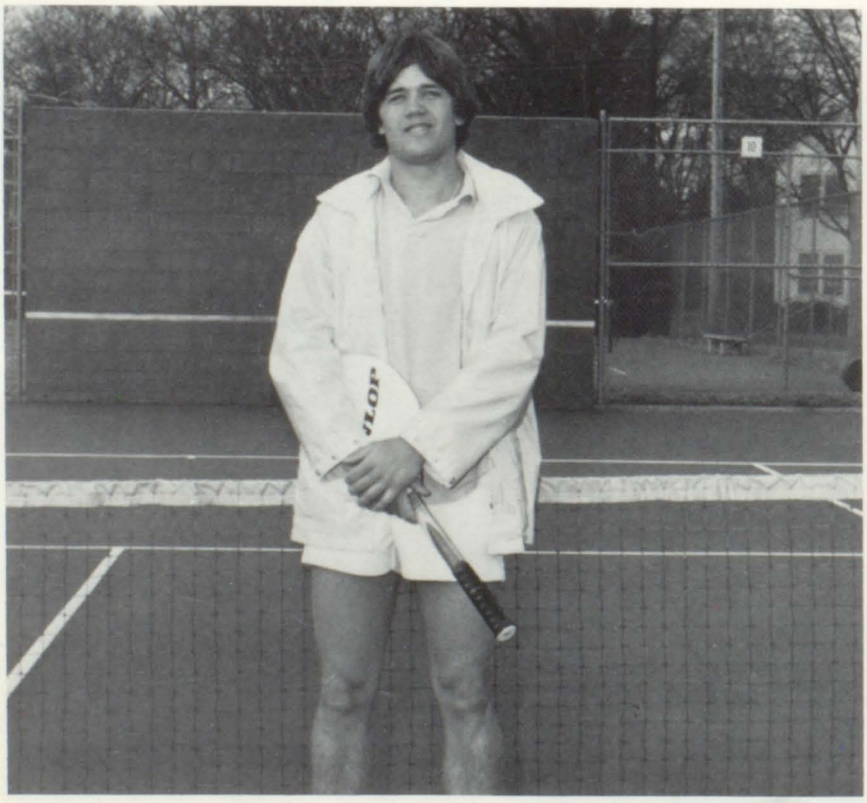
Laura Gallagher

Robert Youngman

Senior Favorites

Allison Wafer

Scott Peavy



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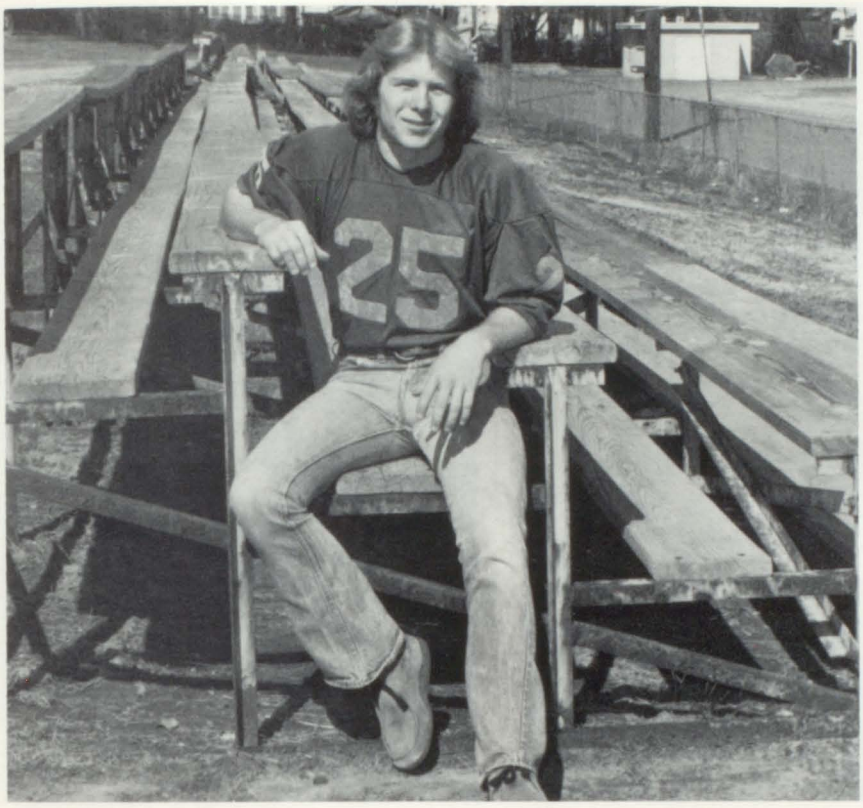
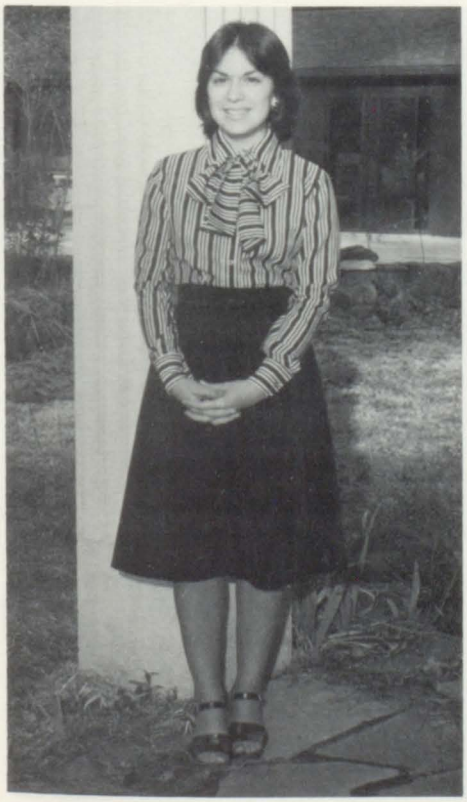
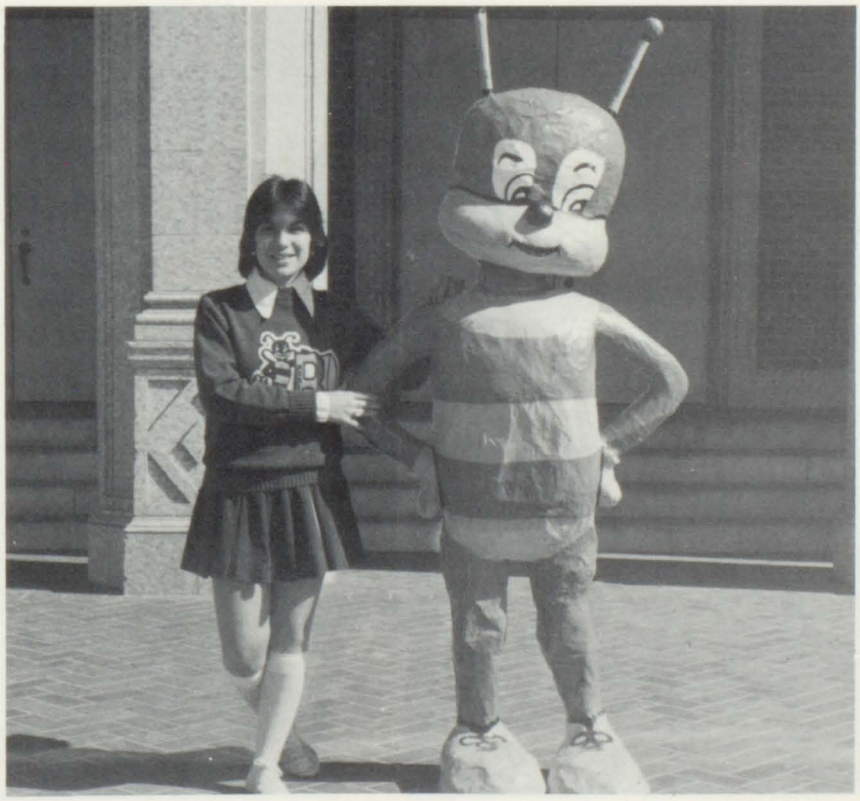


Bentley Brister

Monica Montano





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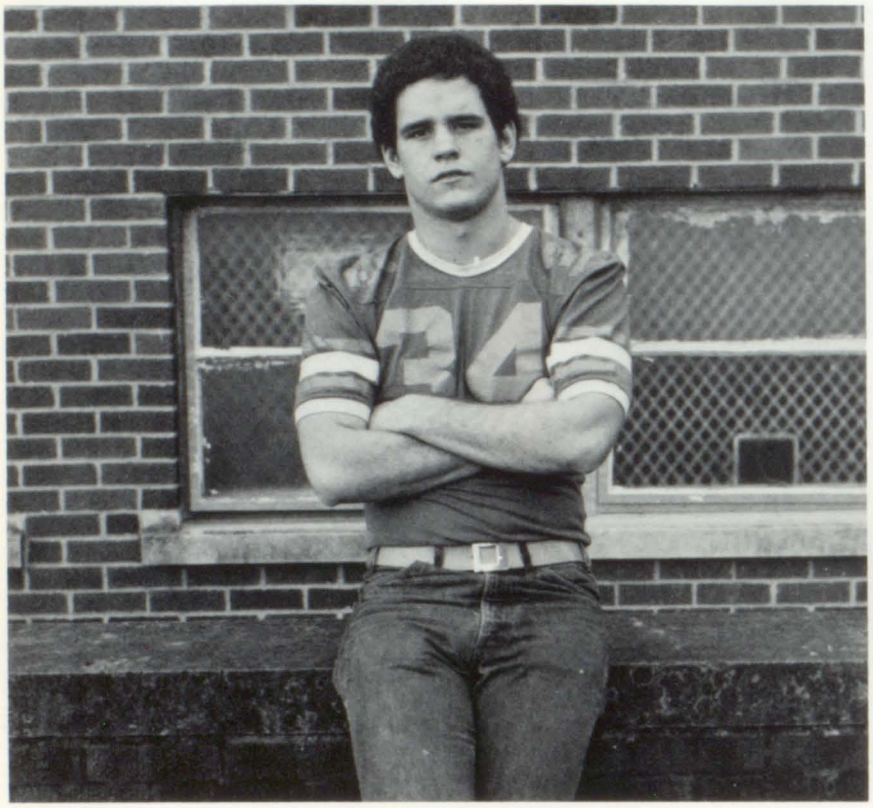
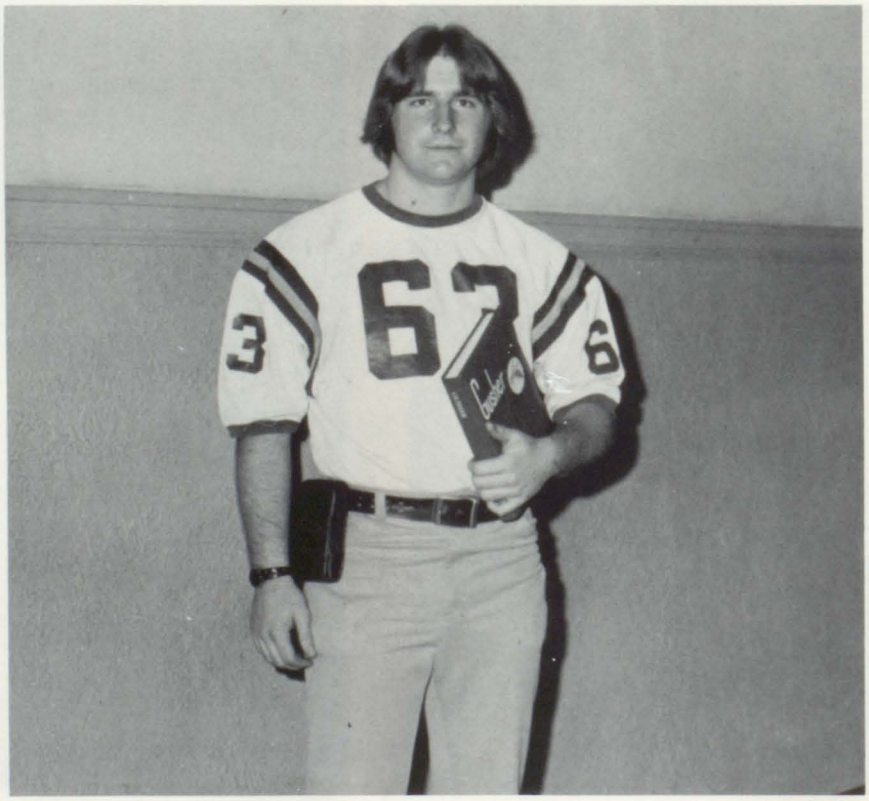


Craig Gilliam

Lance Rist



1976-1977

Lynn Bigner

The 1976-1977 Senior Favorite Nominees were: FIRST ROW: Sonia Sloan, Gwen Johnson, Diane Cooper, Sara Reisz, Laura Gallagher, Twone Cooper, Annette Alexander, Ramona Emanuel, Monica Montano, Allison Wafer. SECOND ROW: Calvin Moore, Lynn Bigner, Martin Walke, Bentley Brister, Rick Lyman, Scott Politz, John Patten, Robert Youngman. THIRD ROW: Lance Rist, Kenneth Webb, Craig Gilliam, Scott Peavy, Dwight Swiney. FOURTH ROW: Alice Simmons, Margaret Bell, and Casey Thomas.

Senior Favorite Nominees

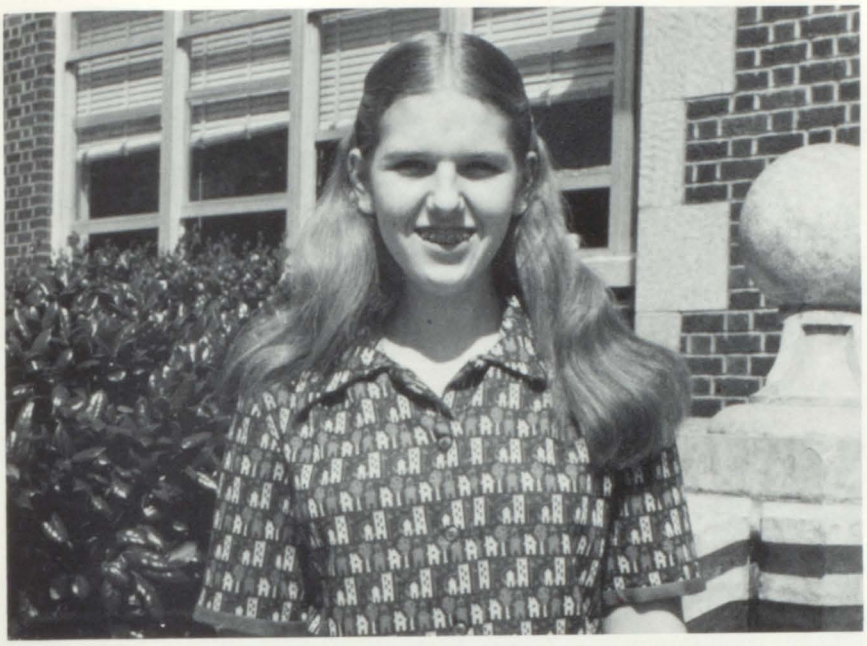
The seniors of seventy-seven contributed many long hours of work and service to C. E. Byrd High School. Individual members each donated their time to some facet of Byrd through service, energy, sacrifice, and determination. Through their leadership, seniors continued the tradition of keeping Byrd one of the finest schools in the state. These students guided underclassmen in their efforts to work for their school and their organizations. These fine leadership qualities found in many graduates were possible since an individual was able to hold only one major and two minor offices or three minor offices.

Among the many activities of the seniors were voting on the class flower, song, and motto, ordering graduation invitations, being measured for caps and gowns, and electing senior favorites. The responsibility of choosing senior favorites was an important decision since these seniors would always represent the graduating class of 1977. Taken into consideration were integrity of character, quality of scholastic achievement, contribution of service to Byrd, and true friendliness, both in school and out. These favorites exhibited a purpose and plan for their lives and have accepted responsibility for themselves and their actions. Due to a tie for sixth place in the boys, GUSHER has honored these thirteen seniors and they are now presented to you in the order of the number of votes received. These and all of the 1977 graduating class have created memories that will last a lifetime; they will each take part of Byrd High School with them, yet each will leave a part of themselves behind.

Rebecca Burton of Styron's Engraving Co. helped Dana Atkins and Lance Rist order graduation invitations. The 1977 Commencement marked the first combined Baccalaureate and Graduation exercises.

Mr. Shirel Thompson of Yearwood's measured newcomer Mignonne Holmes for her graduation cap and gown.

FRESHMEN Earned High Averages



Lyda Hazzard's 4.0 average earned her the first rank position in her class.

Jo Manny maintained a 3.60 average, placing her second in the Freshman class.

John Demopulos and Keith Woodley tied for the third rank position with an average of 3.50.

SOPHOMORE Scholars Honored

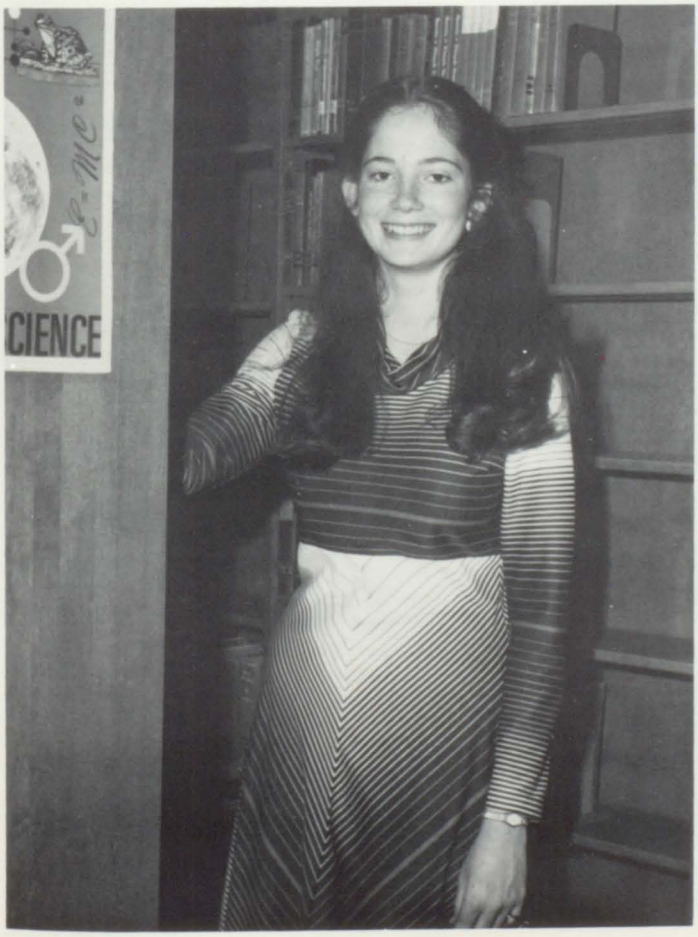
Sue Joan Jue held the highest Sophomore rank with a grade average of 3.83.

James Poss demonstrated his scholastic achievement by ranking second in the Sophomore class with a 3.76 average.

Tied for third position were Jeb Palmer, Carl Lavallais, and Jane Politz with a 3.65 average.

JUNIORS Achieved High Goals

Top ranking Junior Nancy Coleman maintained a 4.0 average.



Ranking second was Jenny Younker with an impressive 3.96 average.

The position of third was held by Amy Williams with a 3.83 average.

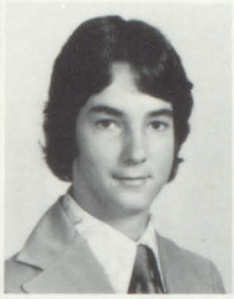
Twelve Placed First at District Rally

Placing first in competition at the District Rally in Ruston were: FRONT ROW: Phong Ku Nguyen, Spanish I; Debbie Wilkins, Senior Arithmetic; Jenny Verhalen, English Literature. SECOND ROW: Linda Wallace, Spanish II; Tim Moxley, World Geography; Douglas Caulkins, English IV; Chuck Flynn, Physics. THIRD ROW: Deborah Williamson, English III; Dan Sandifer, Typewriting; Steve Sebastian, General Business; Jeb Palmer, French I and Geometry.

PELICAN STATERS Won Honors

David Barker
Clerk of Supreme Court

Deborah Bonnevier
District Attorney and Parish Delegate for Attorney General



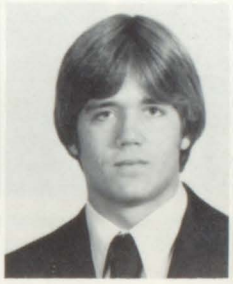
Eric Faust
House of Representatives

Nine delegates were chosen in the spring to represent Byrd at Louisiana Pelican State in Baton Rouge. They attended the convention for eight days in which they learned and performed the procedures of the local, parish and state government. Everyone held an office at either the city or parish level. The delegates were elected by their class, teachers and an American Legion screening committee.

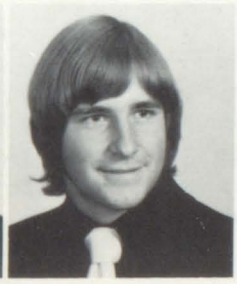
Doris Franks
Parish Police Jury

Meg Osetinsky
City Council and Parish Delegate for Lieutenant Governor

Debra Parker
City Council



Scott Peavy
Parish Ways and Means Committee Chairman



Lance Rist
Parish Assessor

Sonia Sloan
City Engineer

Alternates were Ramona Emanuel, June Harriss, Tinyee Jue, Karen Risher, Allison Wafer, Margo Johnson, and Charles Robinson.

NFL Remained on

Being the oldest and one of the most active organizations at Byrd, National Forensic League was founded in the year 1926. To become eligible for membership, a student must accumulate twenty or more points, through public speaking in interscholastic debate and individual events.

The success of NFL was no accident; much hard work was put into it. Attending summer workshops and making arrangements for debate tournaments during the summer, members of NFL prepared for the beginning of school. To improve their techniques, the students worked many hours before and after school. Through joys and sorrows, National Forensic League remained on top in the year 1977.

NFL sponsor, Mr. Don Belanger, demonstrated cross-examination technique to novice debater Lyda Hazzard.

The 1976-1977 Byrd Debate Team displayed some of the trophies won during the year. FRONT ROW: Yolanda Richardson, Louise Lafitte, Lyda Hazzard, Carla Efferson, Mimi Brandt, Debbie Bonnevier, Nina McCombs, Debbie Bains, Cheryl Britt. SECOND ROW: Todd Anders, Pat Knotts, Mike Johnson, Kirk Labor, Steve Williams, Frank Smith, Chip Cowan, Kyle Labor, Chris Minor.

Top in 1977

DEGREES WON IN TOURNAMENTS WERE:

DEGREE OF SPECIAL DISTINCTION
500 + points, Double-Ruby
Mark Stinson, Debbie Bonnevier, Carla Efferson, Jeb Palmer
DEGREE OF DISTINCTION
250 + points
Mimi Brandt, Chip Cowan, Yolanda Richardson, Cheryl Britt, Lyda Hazzard.
DEGREE OF EXCELLENCE
150 + points
Steve Williams, Helen Gates, Todd Anders, Chris Minor, Kyle Labor, Pat Knotts, Nan Williams
DEGREE OF HONOR
75 + points
Mike Johnson, Debbie Bains, Denise Guckert, Louise Lafitte, Kirk Labor, Nina McCombs, Carey Conner.

Second-year debater Amy Williams displayed the largest and smallest trophies ever won by Byrd.

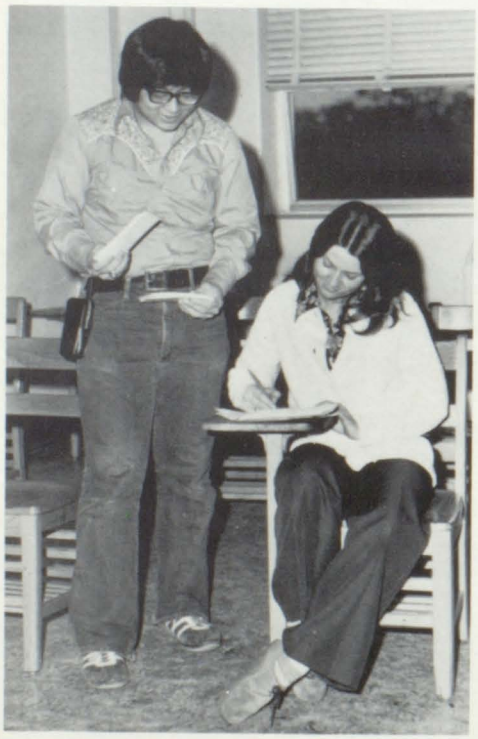
NFL executive council members discussed the spring tournament schedule with Mr. Don Belanger. Officers were Debbie Bonnevier, President; Chip Cowan, Vice-President; Carla Efferson, Secretary; and Mark Stinson, Treasurer.

N.H.S. Members Were

Dana Atkins
Rex Beaird
Eugenie Bryant
Christopher Carter
Douglas Caulkins

Kathy Cook
Margaret Dornbusch
Catherine Efferson
Romona Emanuel
Chuck Flynn

Doris Franks
Kathy Harris
Margo Johnson
Artis Jones, Jr.
Tinyee Jue



Tinyee Jue and Allison Wafer were in charge of the tutoring program.

Janet Kozak
Roberta Lambrecht
David Manry

Gary Mathews
Monica Montano
Kim Nealy

Brenda Palmer
Tyrone Payton
Karen Risher

Selected by Merit

Mark Stinson
President
Meg Osetinsky
Vice President

Lance Rist
Secretary,
Treasurer

Mattie Tebele

Character, leadership, scholarship, and service were qualities which the National Honor Society strove to promote throughout Byrd. Admission to this organization was one of the greatest honors that could be given to a high school student. After carefully considering each candidate, the faculty selected the new members on the basis of the student's attainment of the four ideals of N.H.S. goal.

Induction ceremonies were held in May and the members said a pledge to uphold the ideals of the organization. Inductees were presented pins bearing the emblem of N.H.S. The Grover C. Koffman chapter of N.H.S. was established in 1953 and was sponsored by Mr. James Sullivan during the 1976-77 school year.

Terri Terro
Jenny Verhalen

Allison Wafer
Kenneth Webb

Beverly Williams
Robert Youngman

Chris Carter, Mr. James Sullivan, and Doris Franks reviewed qualifications for N.H.S. membership.

MU ALPHA THETA Hosted Math Tournament

Mu Alpha Theta, a math club, was created to strike up an interest in and to promote enjoyment in math. It was composed of students in Algebra II and Advanced Math who had a 3.0 grade average and exceptional abilities in the math field. Mu Alpha Theta sponsored their annual math tournament, which was a huge success, in December. Later in the spring the club's year was brought to a climax with a trip to Houston for participation in a large math tournament. Mu Alpha Theta was under the new sponsorship of Mr. Joseph B. Dornier, the administrative coordinator, and Miss Jerry Malone, the Algebra II teacher.

David Schwartz and Tom Campbell worked on problems for Mu Alpha Theta's math tournament.

The officers of Mu Alpha Theta were Lance Rist, President; Tinyee Jue, Vice-President; Amy Williams, Secretary-Treasurer.

Members of Mu Alpha Theta were: FRONT ROW: Wendy Guillet, Mark Stinson, Margo Johnson, Deanna Booras, Tom Campbell. SECOND ROW: Pham Viet Quam, David Manry, Eleanor Guerin, Dianna Abney, Sherri Burleigh. THIRD ROW: Doug Caulkins, Dwain Bryan, Alicia Briney, Marian Bell, Jenny Younker, David Schwartz. FOURTH ROW: Chuck Flynn, Rex Beaird, Nancy Coleman, Janet Kozak, Susan LaBorde, Elaine Mayo.

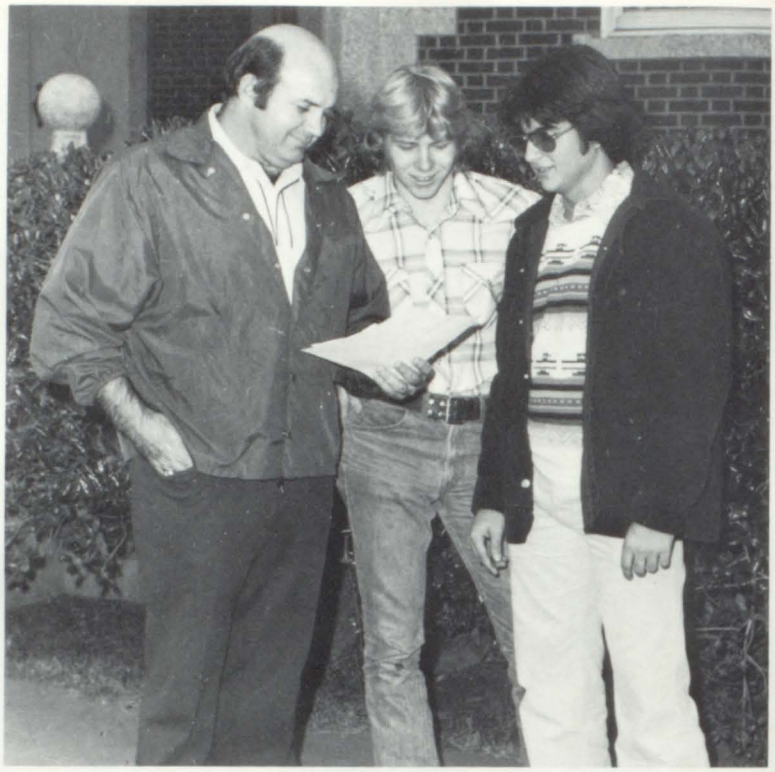
QUILL and SCROLL Held Picnic

Quill and Scroll members were from top to bottom: Lance Rist, Kenneth Webb, Allison Wafer, Karen Risher, Meg Osetinsky, Monica Montano, and Jenny Verhalen.

As an honorary organization, Quill and Scroll honored those students who had done outstanding work on the GUSHER, the HIGH LIFE, or the Football Program Staffs. Along with a recommendation from the publication sponsor, a new Junior member had to have a 3.0 grade average and a new Senior member was required to have a 2.5 grade average. By tapping the students out of the audience, Quill and Scroll inducted its new members during a special school assembly held in May. Sponsored by Miss Wanda Whittington, Quill and Scroll held its annual spring picnic to welcome its new members.

Quill and Scroll officers were: Dana Atkins, Secretary-Treasurer; Margo Johnson, Vice-President; James Mills, President.

VARSITY CLUB



Coach Tom Cathey, Bentley Brister, and Cal Griffith discussed spring plans.

Varsity Club members were: FRONT ROW: David Gibson, Billy Boswell, and Bill Oglesby. SECOND ROW: Joe Richardson, Kem Smelser, Eric Peck, and Mike Turner.

Carpeted Training Room

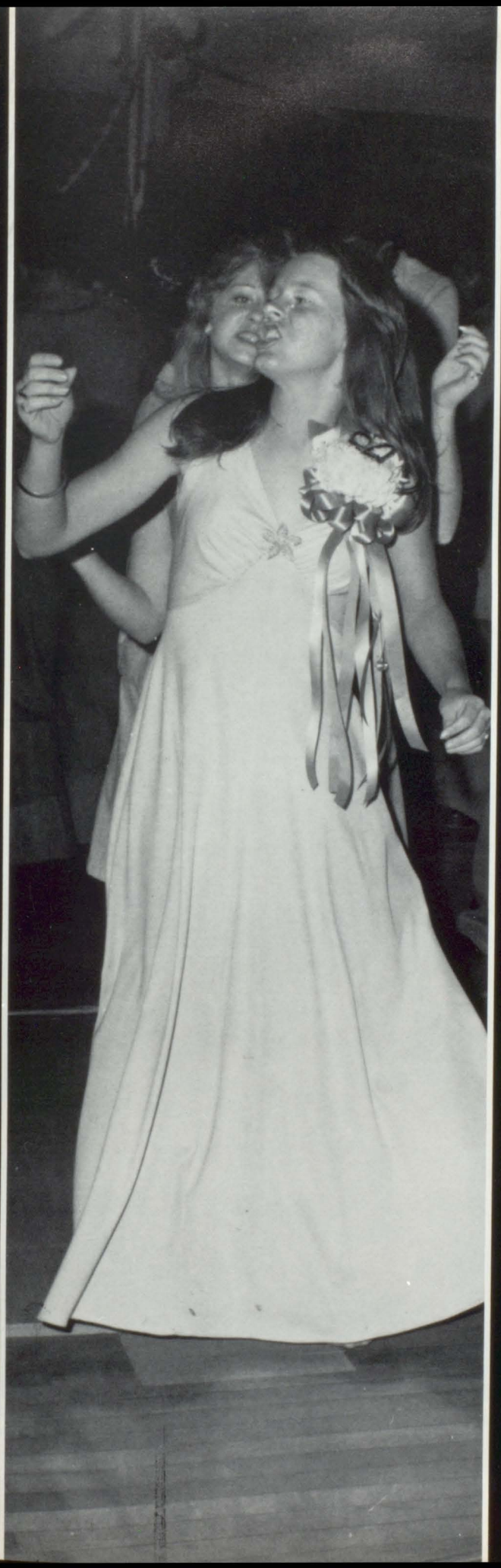
Officers were: Bentley Brister, President; Cal Griffith, Secretary-Treasurer; Coach Tom Cathey, Sponsor; and David Bolton, Vice President.

Varsity Club consisted of the lettermen from the football, basketball, baseball, track, tennis, golf, and rifle teams. The faculty sponsor of the Varsity Club was Coach Tom Cathey. Among the activities which the Varsity Club organized were to help carpet the training room in the boys' locker room and to have a bake sale in the spring. All of the Varsity Club members received a card of membership which allowed them to be admitted free to all athletic functions sponsored by C. E. Byrd High School.

Members of Varsity Club were: FRONT ROW: Robert Youngman, David Schwartz, Rob Hay, Scott Holtby, Mark Leonard, and Scott Petree. SECOND ROW: Scott Politz, Lance Rist, Charles Robinson, Craig Gilliam, and Robert Smith. THIRD ROW: Steve Adams, Tom Bittick, Byron Trust, Wynn Hutto, Brooks Ray, and Billy Phillips.

Sounds of activities were expressed by the special days the students experienced while at Byrd. Some of these special days were Gator Day, Homecoming, and Basketball day. There was also the political rally in the courtyard and Orientation day that involved any student who wanted to participate. Most of the students at Byrd will remember the special activities they participated in, especially the Senior class whose special event was graduation day.

ABOVE RIGHT: Miss Margee Sanders' homeroom 120 painted a Christmas light display for the front of the school. MIDDLE: Scott Lewis led in the boys' version of the Pep Squad at the Bossier assembly. BOTTOM: Dan Sandifer participated in the Key Club skit along with Robert Wisby.
OPPOSITE PAGE: Debbie Bonnevier danced and sang at the Homecoming dance entitled "Memories Light the Corners of My Mind."



ACTIVITIES

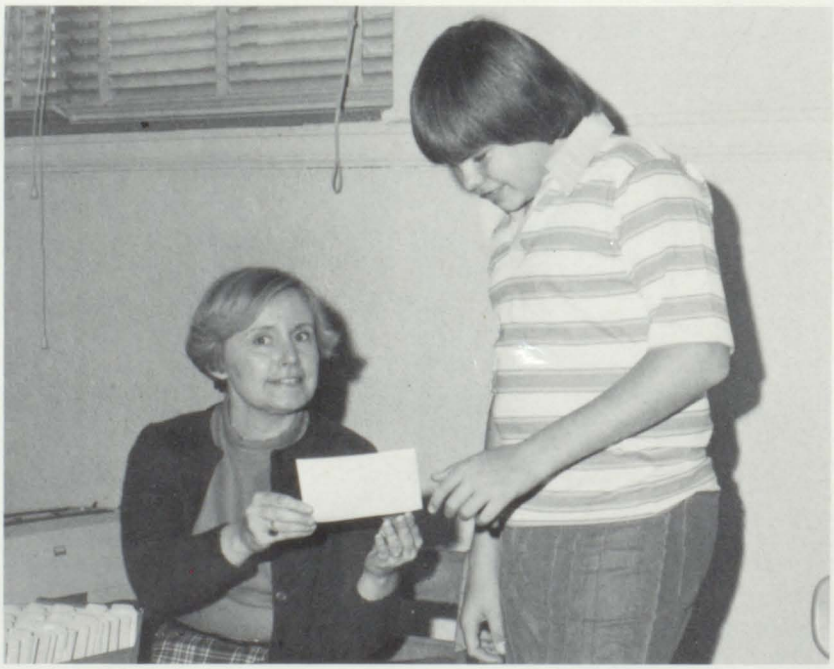
ORIENTATION DAY Displayed Enthusiasm

Beginning the school year seniors gave new students a glimpse of what life at Byrd was soon to be. By starting the day with a skit similar to Snow White and ending with the pep squad marching their way in, the Jackets proved their spirit by joining in with the cheers and singing along with the fight song, "We are Jackets." The pep squad and band filled the new Byrdites with spirit which would never leave them as long as they lived.

After the assembly students attending Byrd for the first time were assisted by the pep squaders as guides in finding their classes.

Julia Knight gave Freshman Susan Howse directions to her classroom.

Dr. B. L. Shaw welcomed new students to Byrd during the orientation assembly.



Mrs. Elaine Risher gave Steve Kinnel his class schedule card.

GO WEST DAY Scored With Jackets

Scott Politz as Deputy Barney Fife called his girlfriend, Thelma Lou.

Every year on Go West Day, cowboys and cowgirls mysteriously appeared in the halls of Byrd to encourage and support the football team as they prepared to play the Fair Park Indians. The Art Club again displayed the wooden figures of cowboys and Indians which were set up in the front of the school. The skit, presented by Key Club, was based on the Andy Griffith TV show. Robert Wisby appeared as Andy Griffith while Scott Politz portrayed Deputy Barney Fife. Concluding the day, a performance was given at halftime by the Byrd Stingeretts.

The Pep Squad marched in pinwheels as they performed at halftime during the Fair Park game.

Sandy McClellan and Rhonda Statham portrayed the part of two cowgirls on their way to the West.

STUDENT COUNCIL Hosted Convention

The Louisiana State Association of Student Councils Convention was held on October 10, 11, and 12, in the Shreveport Civic Theater and Convention Hall. C. E. Byrd Student Council served as host for the convention. Under the sponsorship of Miss Jerry Malone and with the hard work of the officers and the executive committee of the Byrd Student Council, the convention was a tremendous success. The theme was "Discover!" The speaker was Dr. Earl Reum, a renowned leader of Student Council work in the United States. Some highlights of the convention were the banquet and the dance.

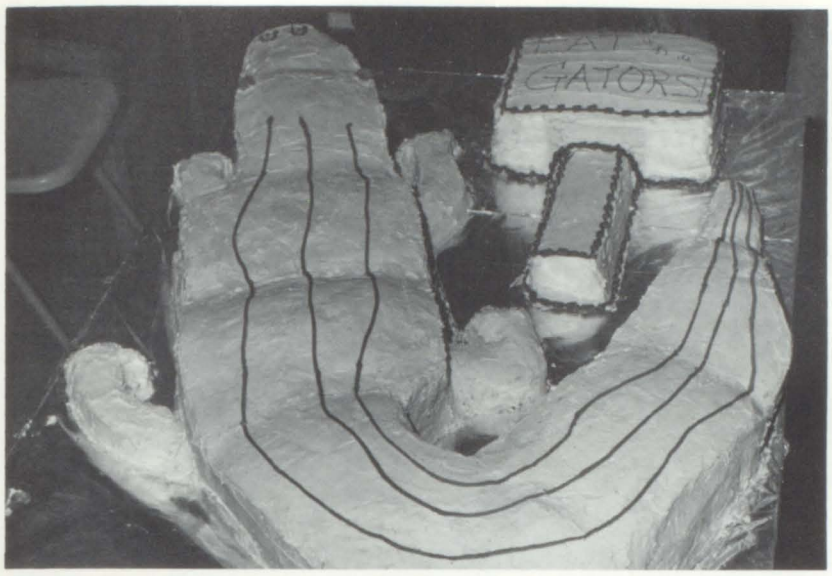
Mark Stinson, Miss Jerry Malone, and Miss Nelly V. Strother took charge of the State Convention.

Joanne Frybarger, Deb Williamson, and Cheryl Britt unloaded boxes for the state convention.

The band, "East of the Altar," played for the banquet.

Dr. Earl Reum, from Lakewood, Colorado, spoke about today's problems facing the younger generation.

GATOR HUNT DAY Proved Successful

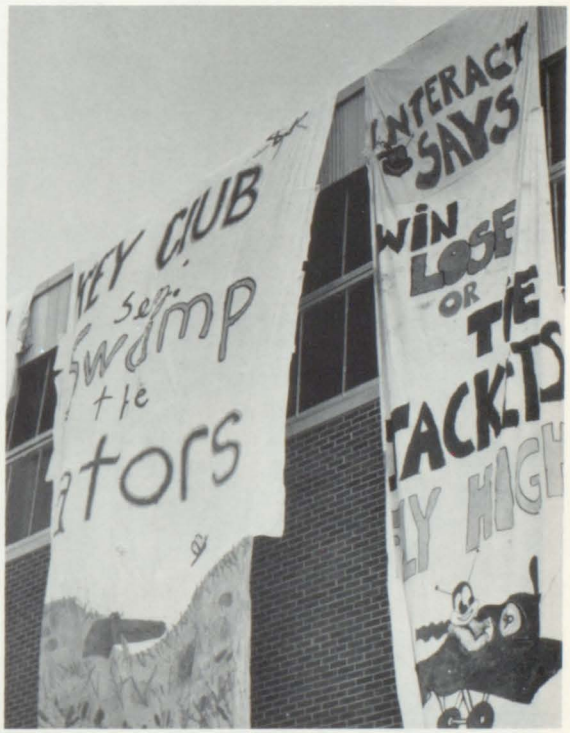


Members of the Junior Pep Squad gave the Seniors a giant gator cake.

The annual Gator Hunt Day highlighted the end of the football season. Jackets showed their spirit in many ways: Key Club sponsored the annual car decorating contest, and Interact Club sponsored the banner contest. Seniors participated in the annual Senior March and the football team was honored by the Pep Squad Drum Corps with a spirit breakfast. In the assembly, Juniors in the Pep Squad gave the Seniors of 1977 a huge cake. The cheerleaders in the last pep rally, presented the students with a slide show featuring members of the football team and various people around the school. Gator Day once again proved to be a big success.

Hopper Fulco proudly displayed the trophy that Leo Club won in the car decorating contest.

"Oogie Cooper", a disc jockey for KEEL Radio, brought enthusiasm to the Jackets.



Key Club and Interact entered the banner contest.

Byrd Students Enjoyed

The City of Byrd was very excited on October 1 as it was the 1976 Homecoming. At the Homecoming Assembly, the court was presented to the Student Body and a skit was performed by the Interact Club. Homecoming was also shared by the returning graduates of 1941.

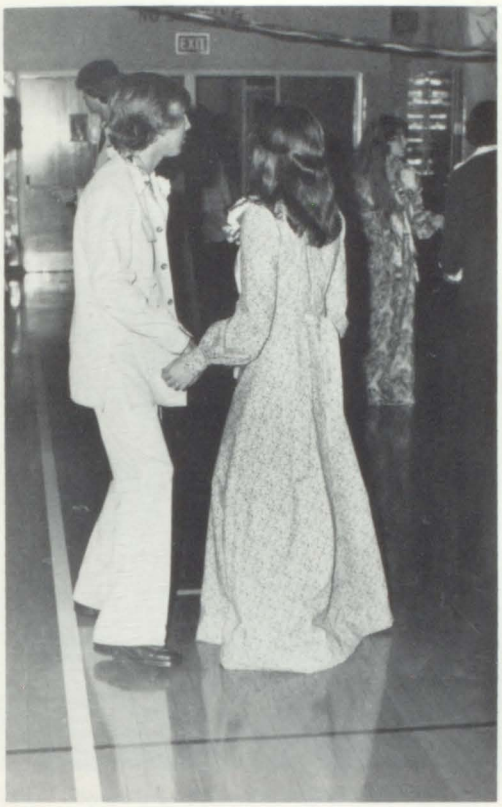
That night, the Court was honored at the pre-game ceremonies. The Jackets defeated the Huntington Raiders by a score of 14-13. Following the game, the service clubs sponsored the Homecoming dance which was held in the gym.

This was the first Byrd Homecoming for some and a last for others - a day well spent for many Byrd High Students.

Interact members Steve Sebastain, David Ray, Clint Griffith, and John D'Anna portrayed the Byrd teachers in their skit.

Elected as the 1976 Homecoming Cheerleaders were Janice Henderson, Dianne Cooper, Lynn Bigner, Allison Wafer, Debbie Bonnevier, Sara Reisz, Monica Montano, Debbie Parker, and Ginetta Williams.

the Spirit of HOMECOMING



The Byrd students danced to the sounds of the Ivory Bull Band after the victory game over Huntington.

Ronalee Jorgenson and John D'Anna presented Dr. B. L. Shaw a plaque thanking him for allowing the student body to have regular Pep Rallies.

During the Homecoming Assembly on the morning of October 1, the Homecoming Court was presented to the student body.

HOMECOMING COURT Was

Queen: Gwen Johnson
Escort: Mr. Greg Thomas

Football Sweetheart: Laura Gallagher
Escort: Mr. Andrew Gallagher

Princess
Margaret Bell
Escort
The Rev. James B. Bell

Maid
Ramona Emanuel
Escort
Mr. Leon L. Emanuel

Maid
Tina Feldt
Escort
Col. Albert Feldt

Presented to Byrd Fans

Gwen Johnson expressed her feelings of happiness as Dr. B. L. Shaw crowned her queen of Homecoming.

Coach Harrison proudly presented Laura Gallagher the football.

Maid
Twone Cooper
Escort
Mr. Melvin Cooper, Jr.

Maid
Sonia Sloan
Escort
Tech. Sgt. Darnell Sloan

Crown Bearer
Jacqueline Steele
Football Bearer
Patrick Gallagher

PEP RALLIES Sparked

Spirit filled the auditorium as excited students came pouring in for each assembly. Rallies began with the posting of the colors and the singing of the Alma Mater. Different organizations presented the skits each week. Interact presented the Homecoming skit, and the season ended with the cheerleaders' presentation of slides of each football player. To decide which class had the most spirit, the cheerleaders led the students in the battle cry after the skits. The Byrd fight song, "We Are Jackets," ended the Pep Rallies, but kept the spirit alive.

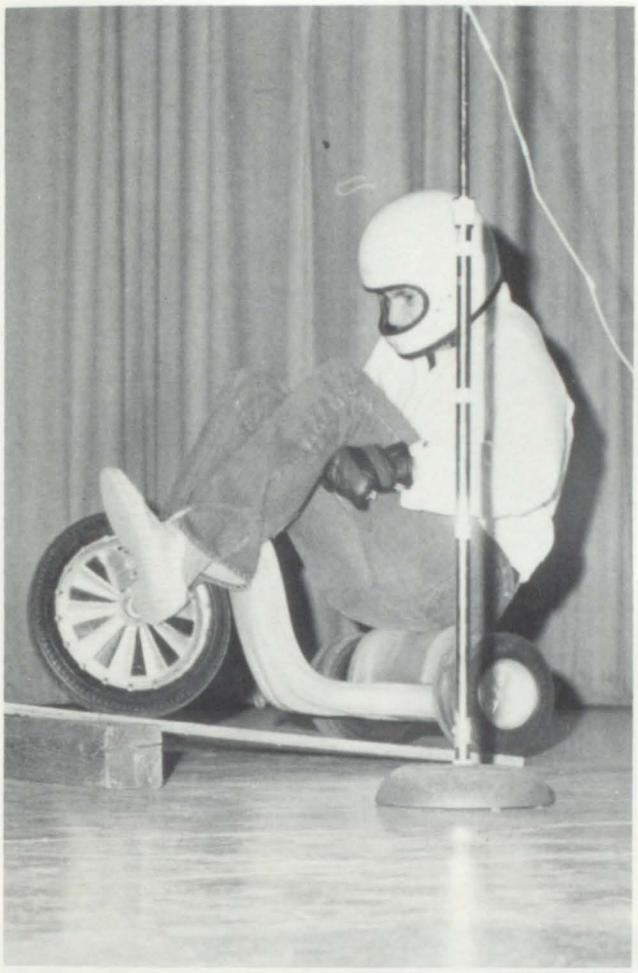
The Pep Squad, with their new look, aroused spirit for the Ruston pep rally.

The Pep Squad imitated the football players during the Ruston pep rally.

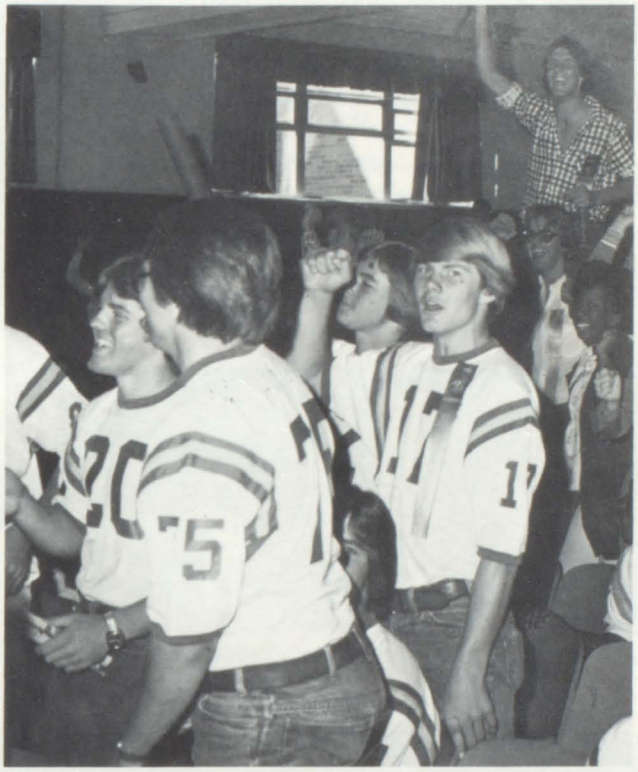
Jan Cathy and Helen Gates portrayed the Bearbrates.

Allen Williams swept the court room clean during the Natchitoches pep rally.

Jacket Spirit



David Nelson as Byrd's Evil Knievel attempted to jump four cars in the Homecoming skit.



Football players received a spirit stick for their enthusiasm.

The cheerleaders led the students with a series of chants to keep the spirit alive.

BASKETBALL DAY Honored Court

In celebration of Byrd's district games, the student body elected a Basketball court. Presented to the students during assembly, the Basketball Court consisted of a representative from each class. The members of the basketball team elected the basketball sweetheart. Entertainment at the assembly was provided by the stage band under the direction of Mr. Roosevelt Shields. Coaches Johnny Harkness and Charles Thrash introduced the varsity, junior varsity, and sophomore teams. The victory, 65 to 56, of the Yellow Jackets over the BTW Lions highlighted the Basketball Day activities.

The basketball team was recognized in the Basketball Day assembly.

Coach Johnny Harkness announced the Varsity basketball members to the student body.

The representatives of the 1976-77 Basketball Court were: Wendy Williams, sophomore; Debbie Bonnevier, senior; Veronica Powell, sweetheart; Rhonda Statham, junior; and Kitty Sanders, freshman.

ADVISORY COUNCIL Supervised Elections

Mrs. Helen Hedgemon, Mr. Edward Allen, Mrs. Phalamae Gray, and Mr. George Wilson supervised the student members of the Advisory Council as they finished counting ballots.

The Advisory Council was composed of eight students appointed by the school administration. Supervising school elections was one of the advisory council's many responsibilities. Following the various elections, the council met all day to count votes as quickly as possible to determine the winners. The advisory council was a very important part of the school as exhibited by its four faculty members. The council advised the school authorities on the coordination of existing extracurricular activities and the need for new activities. At the end of every year, the council wrote a policy by which it would be governed during the following year. The council also publicized the various school organizations to acquaint the students with the requirements and duties of each organization.

Members of the Advisory Council were, FRONT ROW: Susan T. Howse, Anita Moon, Amy Williams, Marilyn Harris, Ginetta Williams. SECOND ROW: Mr. George Wilson, Mrs. Phalamae Gray, Darryl Carey, Mark Stinson, Anthony Thomas, Mr. Tony Stickell, Mr. Edward Allen.

ACTIVITIES Added

There were many activities that went on at Byrd High which were usually not seen in the GUSHER, for example: the door decorating contest held at Christmas, the special assemblies held during the year, and the reactions students have to these assemblies. In the Spring, the Student Council, cheerleader, and pep sqaud officer elections were held. At the end of the year the Jr. Prom was held and plans for the next year at Byrd were made. All of these activities made students aware of opportunities at Byrd High.

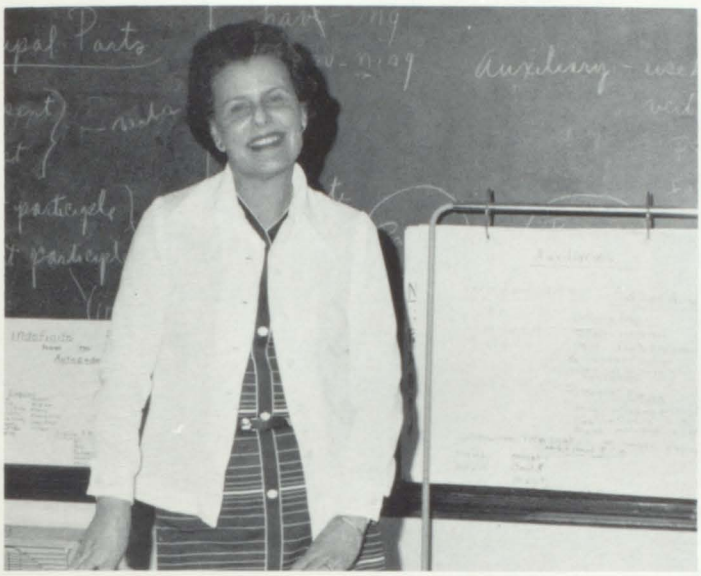
Connie Rossi and Ginger Jones decorated their homeroom's door for the Christmas Door Decorating Contest.

The U.S. Navy Band gave a concert for the students during an assembly.

The students kept time with the music played by the U.S. Navy Band.

It was a happy time for Margo Johnson, Margaret Bell, and Laura Gallagher when they turned in their GUSHER pages.

Interest to Byrd



Mrs. Nancy Lonnegan displayed one of her many famous charts which appeared in the grammar programmed instruction text that was published in 1976.

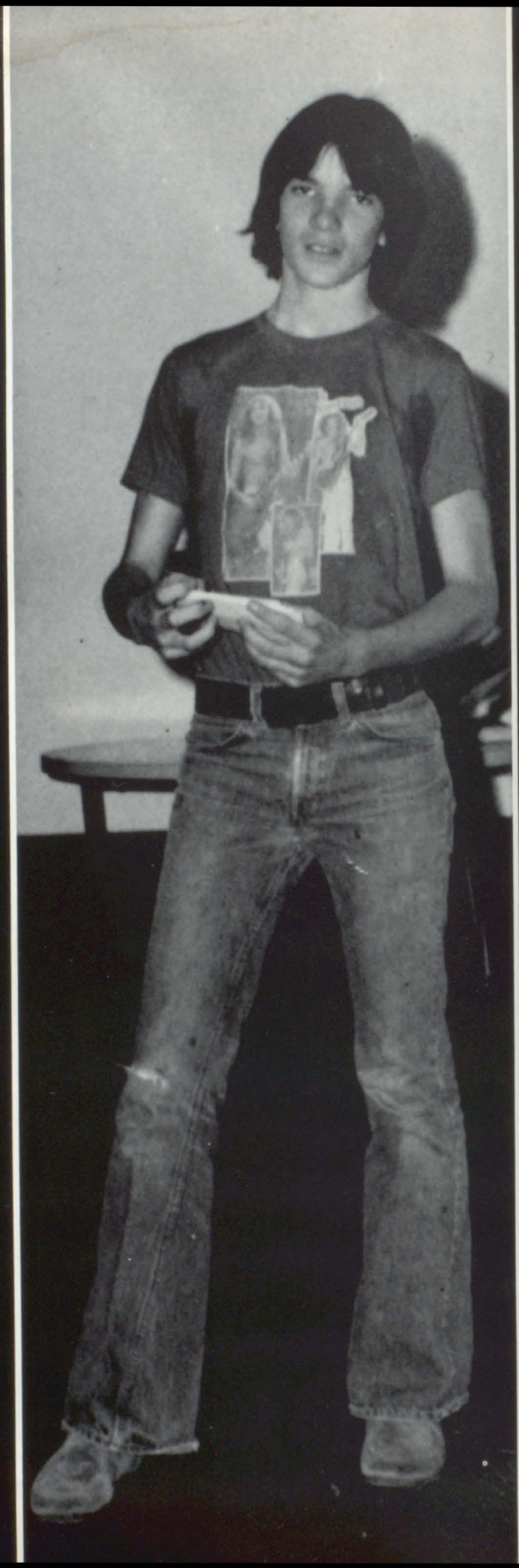
Fans supported our football team throughout the season.

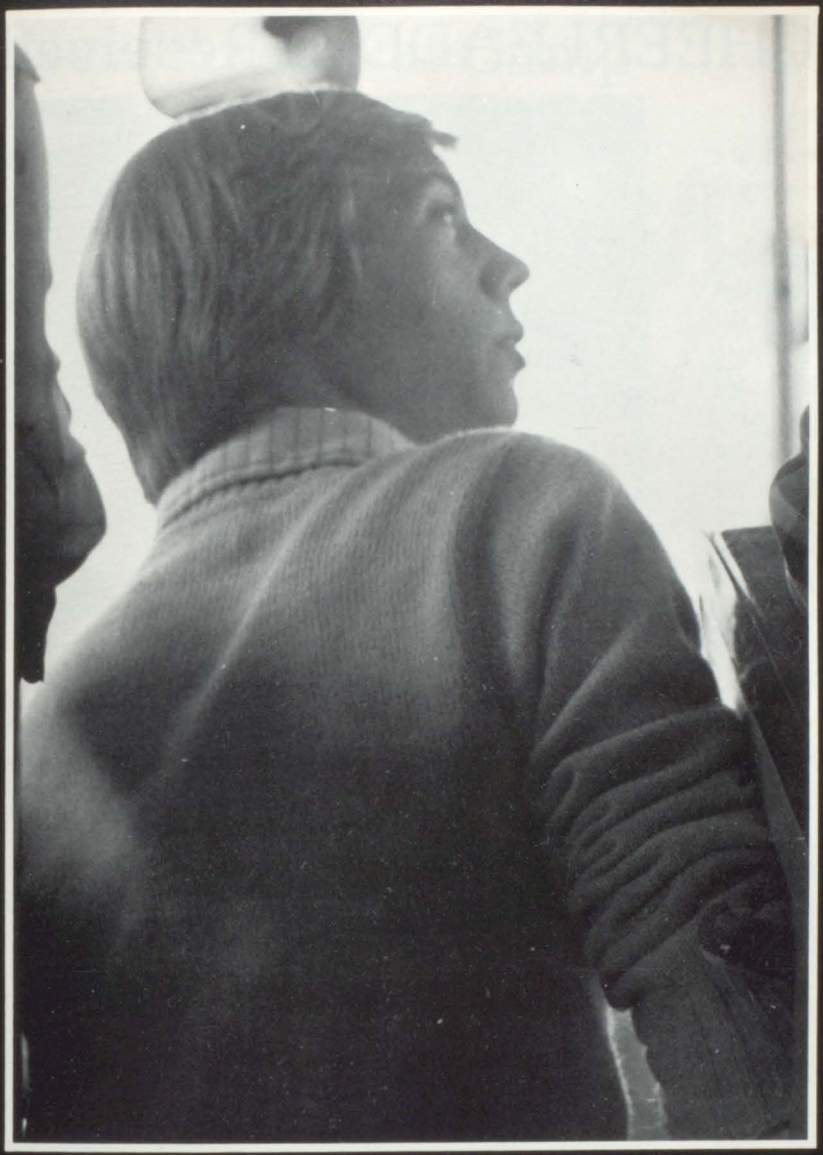
Jack the Jacket was taken to many athletic events as a symbol of Jacket Spirit.

Pep Squad members received instructions for Orientation Day from Mr. Johnny Harkness.

Cheering enthusiastically were Mark Olive, Richard Liles, John D'Anna, and Mark Stinson.

ORGANIZATIONS





Without clubs to join, students would have missed out on a vital aspect of high school life. Participation in the many organizations enabled these people to learn responsibility, leadership, and cooperation. A lot of time, a lot of friends, and a lot of fun were the advantages to Byrd's extracurricular activities.

TOP: Steven Walker took a trip with the GUSHER Staff to Dallas, Texas. BOTTOM: Tina Feldt painted many of the banners for the football assemblies.
OPPOSITE PAGE: Coached by Mr. Don Belanger, Steve Williams practiced his debate case.

CHEERLEADERS Received

The cheerleaders of 1976-77 once again returned with many honors from Sam Houston Cheerleading Camp in Huntsville, Texas. Besides bringing home the spirit stick and excellent and superior ribbons, they also were one of eight out of eighty squads nominated to compete for the Award of Excellence, an honor given to the groups who best exemplified skill in technique and raised the spirit of their audience. During the summer, the cheerleaders practiced four hours a day, five days a week. The cheerleaders made the banners which were to hang in the stadium at every game, and Jack the Jacket was repaired to once again stand proud on the field.

Margaret Bell

Debbie Bonnevier

Diane Cooper

Tina Feldt

Laura Gallagher
Head Cheerleader

New Award at Camp

The 1976-77 Cheerleaders

Gwen Johnson

Monica Montano

Sonia Sloan

Allison Wafer

CHESS CLUB Entered Tournaments

Q-KB4 . . . Checkmate! The Chess Club, sponsored by Mr. Lowel Brown, chose the three top students to participate in the Holiday Inn Dixie High School Open or the Southwest Open held in Houston. For the enjoyment of the chess players, meetings were held during activity period at school and every Friday night at 6:30 p.m. at the YMCA.

David Caulkins and Bill Clarke concentrated on a game of chess during activity period.

Officers for Chess Club were: Randy Burnett, Vice-President; Tinyee Jue, President; David Schartwz, Secretary-Treasurer.

Chess Club members were: FRONT ROW: Dwain Bryan, Lenard Hamersky. SECOND ROW: Larry Meshell, Chris Brown, Phil Jones. THIRD ROW: Bill Clarke, Brad Kimbrell, Charles McLendon.

Mr. Lowel Brown, Sponsor of the Chess Club, organized the games for the students.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP Invited Speakers

As president, June Harriss worked closely with Mrs. Jasmine Morelock, faculty advisor, to bring interesting speakers to early morning chapels at Byrd.

First formed at Byrd in 1973, the Christian Fellowship Club organized in order to strengthen the fellowship of students in Christ and to share God's love through the gospel of Jesus Christ. Offering membership to any willing student, the Christian Fellowship Club invited various Christian people in the city to speak at their meetings. The club also held chapels before school to which the entire student body was invited to attend.

Officers were: FRONT ROW: June Harriss, President; Kathy McClanahan, Librarian. SECOND ROW: Robby Wise, Vice President; Cathy Pyle, Secretary; Linda Wallace, Assistant Secretary.

Members were: FRONT ROW: Mary Anne Tanner, Mattie Garza, Sandra Byers. SECOND ROW: Jamie Bales, Pam Phillips, Anita Moon, Dexter Reed. THIRD ROW: Mark Brown, Cheryl Johnson, Lydia Gilmore, Kim Nealy, Mike Leon. FOURTH ROW: Heather Tatum, Danette Allen, Alice Simmons, Catherine Smith.

DECA Hosted Annual

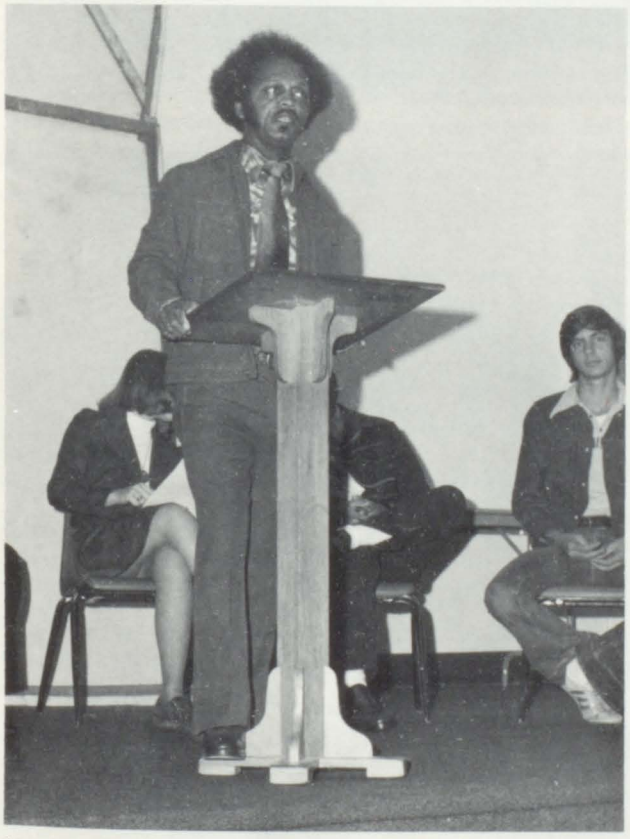
The Byrd High Chapter of the Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) prepared a number of members for active participation in the Career Development Conference. CDC was held in Shreveport March 20-22, with headquarters in the Captain Shreve Hotel. The purpose of the conference was to develop future leaders for marketing and distribution. This was accomplished through various competitive events and also the involvement of various political campaigns for specific state offices. The conference was located in a different major Louisiana city each year. Byrd High Chapter provided formidable contestants for the past several years.

Karen Smith, president of DECA, presided over club meetings.

Members of the 1976-77 DECA were: FIRST ROW: Susan Dixon, Jacquelin Johnson, Vikie Wilson, Terri Troutman, Theresa Caxcio, Linda Lord. SECOND ROW: Greg Maxwell, Dennis Jaseth, Richard Reid, Hollace Bain, David Bowen, Nancy Rigling, Scott Dickson. THIRD ROW: Stanley Steadman, Doug Yelverton, Mike Sutton, Wesley Webb, Donald Hawks, Vance Burns.

Career Development Conference

Officers for the 1976-77 DECA were: Jerome Smith, Vice-President; Carolyn Mahoney, Reporter; Derynda Ozment, Secretary; Annette Hart, Assistant Secretary; Johanna Campbell, Treasurer; Karen Smith, President; Doris Abbitt, Parliamentarian.



Mr. Wade Robinson, new sponsor of Byrd DECA, discussed club plans.

Members of the 1976-77 DECA were: FIRST ROW: Beverly Cade, Sheila Giro, Jeanne Wessler, Lisa Giro, Ruth Martin. SECOND ROW: Melissa Humphrey, Annette Kennedy, Linda Adger, Carmen Payne. THIRD ROW: Mary Llorance, Philip Williams, Sherrie Washington, Charles Eichenholtz, Chris Brown. FOURTH ROW: Ricky Coleman, Rita Keckler, Rose Bradford, Christine Ruffins. FIFTH ROW: Karen Rhodes, Dennis Reynolds, Clifton Ford.

DOPE STOP Informed Younger Students

Dope Stop, sponsored by Miss Jerry Malone, was a valuable volunteer organization of high school students. The thirty-five members of Dope Stop attended four training sessions early in the year to learn the program and then traveled to local elementary schools to relate their information and experiences through posters, stories, and informal talks with students. The aim of this program was not only to show the folly of taking drugs, but to teach the fourth, fifth, and sixth graders self-esteem and to help them cope with the pressures to take drugs. Hopefully, being discouraged by people closer to their own age was more valuable than adult warnings. The Program's effectiveness was hard to measure, but if one child was disuaded, it was worth the effort. Dope Stop was affiliated with CODAC, headed by Mrs. Anita McFerren, who was a great help to the program.

Anita McFerren, Dope Stop head, gave a very informative speech on "communication."

Members of 1976-77 Dope Stop were: FRONT ROW: Lisa Fricks, Cindy Duffey, Cindy Malone, Loraly Foster, Debbie Bains, Helen Gates, Mary Tanner, Robin Robbins, Kathy Mathis, Sophia Davis, Zelda Tucker, Frank Hendricks. SECOND ROW: Rose Simmons, Carolyn Mahoney, Jean Cheatwood, Debbie Wilkins, Chip Cowan, Rendall Walker, Lisa Hartshell, Billy Noble, Audrey Miller, Carry Donner. THIRD ROW: Pauline Cooper, Terri England, Collete Clark, Joanne Frybarger, Carla Efferson, Mimi Brandt, Bettye Tuminello, Scott Politz, Mike Owens, Rickey Byers. FOURTH ROW: Tom McKissick, Anita Hart, Jackie Johnson, Clarastine Smith, Becky Hollar, Brenda Clark, Darlene Ogburn, Susan LaBorde, Deb Williamson, Janet Kozak, Frank Smith. FIFTH ROW: Jim Graham, Joey D'Amato, Mike Payne, Alice Simmons, Gerald McDaniel.

DRAMA CLUB Performed Acting Scenes

Members were: FRONT ROW: Lisa McCann, Debbie Bains, Rendall C. Walker. SECOND ROW: Beth Pennington, Belinda Mills, Margaret Little. THIRD ROW: Dennis Mjaseth, Tamie Bryant, Michael Johnson. FOURTH ROW: Dawn Schmitt, Dennis Neely, Carolyn Jones.

The Drama Club, under the leadership of a new sponsor, Mr. Don Belanger, was kept busy this year. The Drama Club began the year with a successful rummage sale held in October, followed by competition in various drama tournaments and the performing of duet acting scenes for interested students. Besides sponsoring trophies for Byrd's Cross-X State Wide Debate Tournament held in January, the Drama Club presented a play in the spring entitled, "A Company of Wayward Saints." The play was directed by a drama student, Kim Robbins, with other Drama Club members assisting in lighting, scenery, and other aspects of the production.

Debbie Bains and Nina McCombs participated in a duet acting scene.

Drama Club officers were: Chris Defatta, President; Kim Robbins, Vice-President; Nina McCombs, Secretary; Louise Lafette, Treasurer.

F.B.L.A. Members Attended

Future Business Leaders of America was the youth organization serving the field of Vocational business and office education. Through F.B.L.A., students with an eye on the future in business were given an opportunity to deal with future problems of the adult world. F.B.L.A. developed character in its members and prepared them to be useful citizens. It encouraged students to make improvements in the home and community and to participate in a cooperative effort. F.B.L.A. strengthened the confidence of students in themselves and their work and created more understanding in the intelligent choice of a business occupation. In the spring, members of F.B.L.A. attended a district conference at Huntington High School and a convention in New Orleans. The club sponsor was Mr. Tony Stickell.

FRONT ROW: Karen Lovil, Veronica Powell, Sonia Sloan, Kathy Gafford, Sonja Owens. SECOND ROW: Darlene Ogburn, Reba Clark, Brenda Clark, Nita DeLisle, Joyce Warren.

F.B.L.A. officers were: Terri Reid, Historian; Casey Thomas, President; Cindee Strong, Reporter; Debbie Logue, Secretary; Christy Stewart, Parliamentarian; Roberta Johnson, Treasurer; Kathy Post, Vice President.

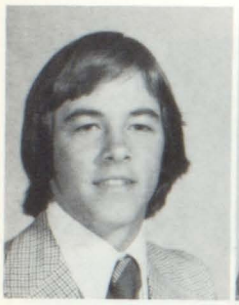
District and State Conferences

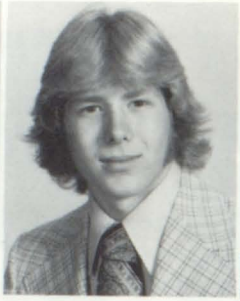
Sonia Sloan took notes as Debbie Logue, Roberta Johnson, and Brenda Clark looked on during a meeting.

Terri Reid, Sandra Jackson, and Darlene Ogburn counted stockings before the Christmas stocking sale.

Terri Reid was selected by members to be Miss FBLA while Casey Thomas was selected to be Mr. FBLA.

FCA Carpeted Training Room


Billy Boswell
Captain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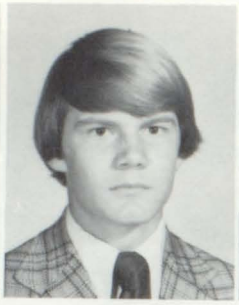
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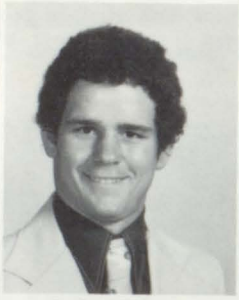
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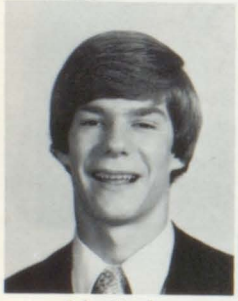
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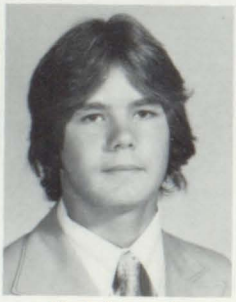
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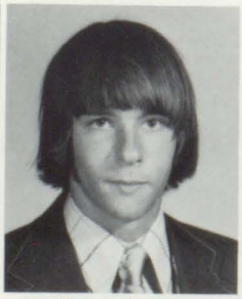
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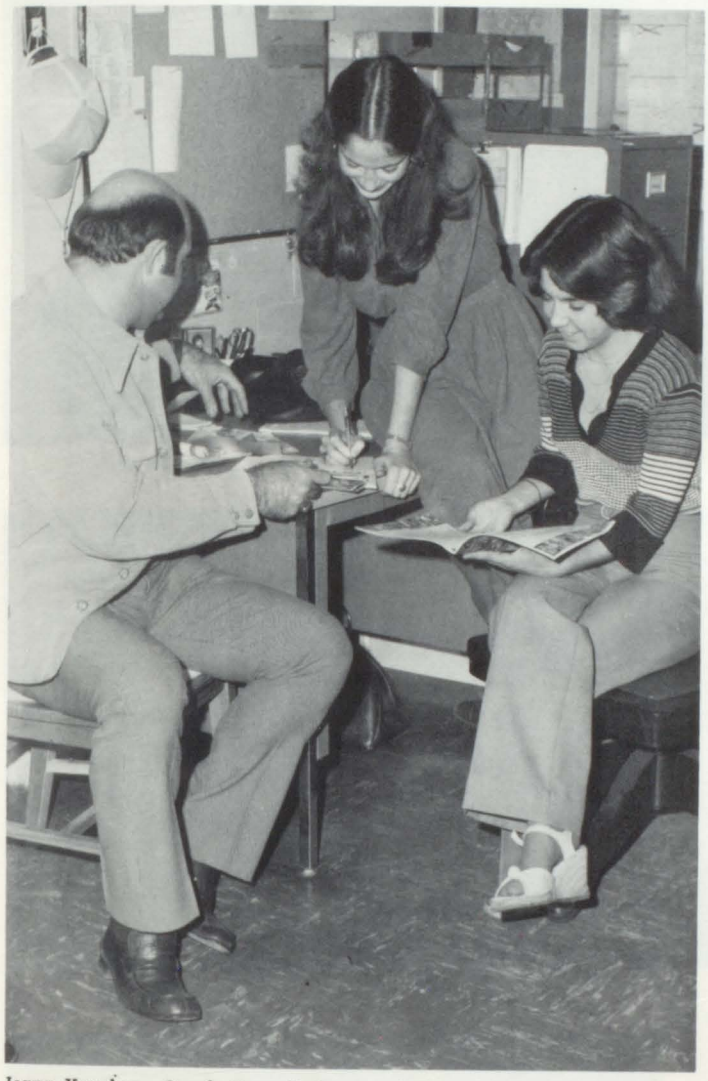
Sandra Winderweedle

Lois Wingfield

FOOTBALL AD STAFF Sponsored Banquet



Jenny Younker, Coach Tom Cathey, and Deanna Booras discussed new ideas and layouts for the football program.

The Football Ad Staff of 1976-1977 spent many long hours selling ads, putting football programs together, and billing companies to raise money to sponsor their annual football banquet. The staff consisted of twelve managers who sold two hundred and fifty dollars worth of ads and fourteen members who had sold one hundred dollars worth of ads. The girls compiled five football programs, one for each home game. The football program was increased by twelve pages this year and became the largest football program published. The sponsors of the Football Ad Staff this year were Mrs. Maredia Bowdon and Coach Tom Cathey.

Deb Williamson and Melissa Marsh called business companies about ads for the program.

Football Ad Staff Members were: Denette DeYoung, Alicia Briney, Debbie Sharpe, Donis Dietrich, Sonja Owens, Melanie Shaver, Deb Williamson, Lois Wingfield, Melissa Marsh, Lisa Cranford, Lori Puckett, and Donna Bradford.

FOOTBALL AD STAFF Published Largest

Lynn Bigner

Deanna Booras

Debbie Logue

Regina McShan

Cyndie Phillips

Kathy Post

Sara Reisz

Cindy Shepherd

Lois Wingfield, Rhonda Statham, and Donis Dietrich typed up the names of the 160 patrons and arranged them in the program.

Football Program Ever

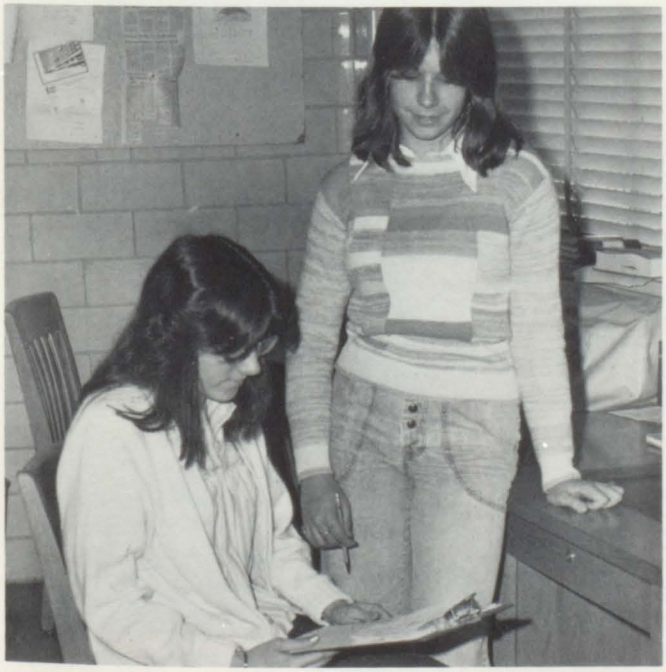
Alice Simmons

Dana Smith

Rhonda Statham

Jenny Younker

Dana Smith and Alice Simmons sold a football program to Jimmy Martin.



Lori Puckett and Alicia Briney billed contractors for the many ads they had sold this summer.

Sara Reisz and Cindy Shepherd chose pictures for the football program.

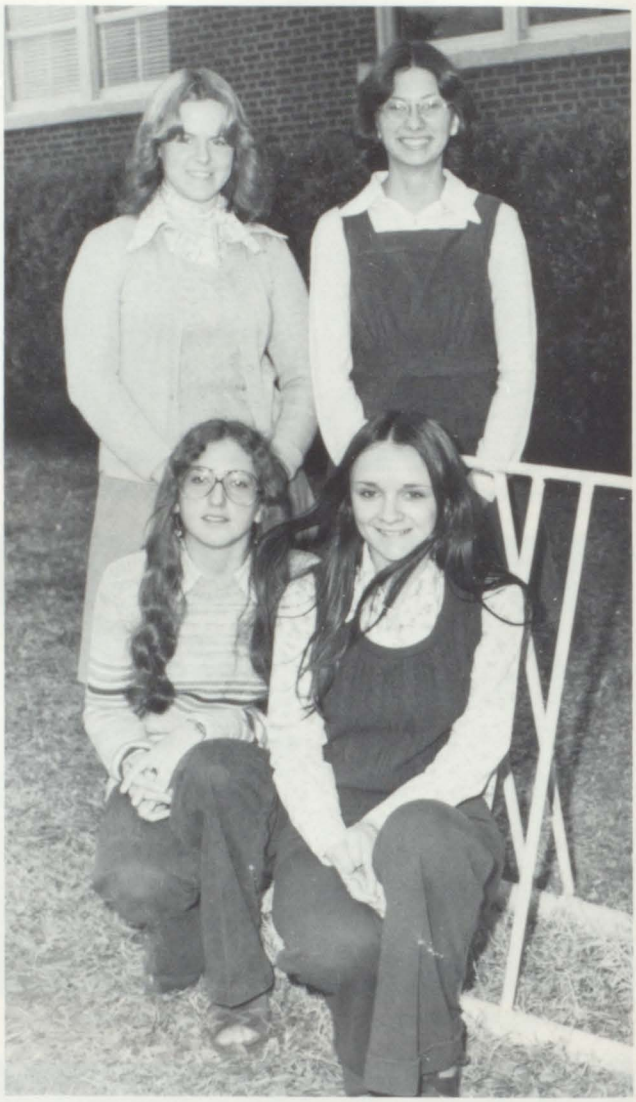
FRENCH CLUB Attended NLU

The French Club, one of the oldest clubs at Byrd, was first organized in 1939. This club was designed to enable students to use the French language efficiently outside of French class.

In March, members attended the Northeast Louisiana University Language Convention. The club invited a guest speaker who showed slides and talked about France. One of their money raising projects was to have a car wash in the spring.

Membership consisted of students who had taken French or were presently enrolled in French. The club was sponsored by Mrs. Patricia Ann Thomas.

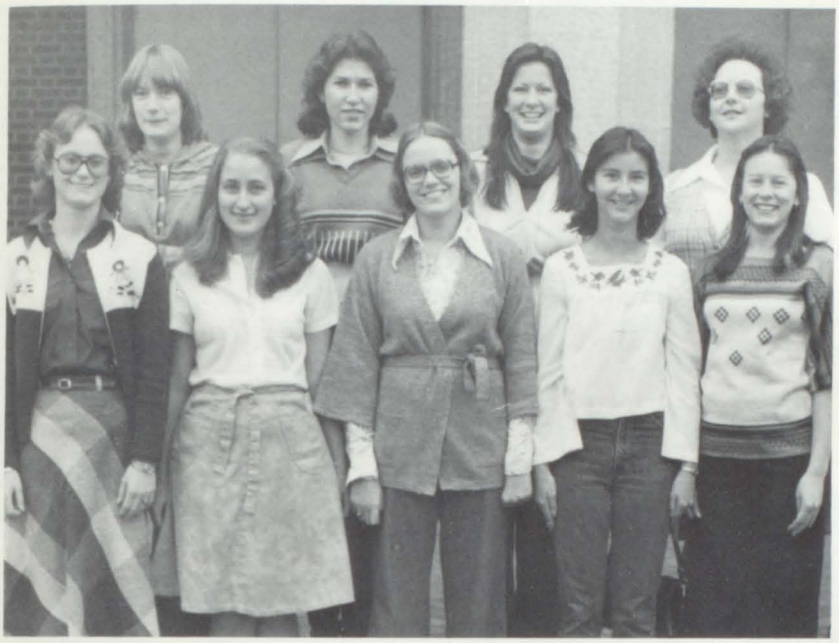
French Club members were: FIRST ROW: Kim Nealy, Lisa Hanby, Sue Jue. SECOND ROW: Valarie Toliver, Mary Slagle, Alicia Briney, Chip Cowan, Joanne Frybarger. THIRD ROW: Beverly McCulloch, Eugenie Bryant, John Berton, Jean Marc Curnett. FOURTH ROW: David Gibson, Jeb Palmer, Richard Liles, Kirk Labor, Elmer Slagle, Jerry Davis.



French Club officers were: STANDING: Peggy Frasier, Julia Knight. KNEELING: Eleanor Guerin, Terri Terro.

Wendy Williams demonstrated her French skills by writing exercises on the board.

FTA Obtained Teaching Experience



The members of the 1976-77 FTA Club were: FIRST ROW: Liz Whittington, Debbie Bains, Doris Franks, Kathy Cook, Debbie Bonnevier. SECOND ROW: Linda Wallace, Janet Kozak, Susan LaBorde, and Miss Barbra Whitehead, Sponsor.

The Future Teachers of America was first chartered on March 16, 1948, for students who wanted to pursue a career as a teacher. Students started their teacher training in this club by obtaining valuable experience. They aided teachers by grading their papers and doing miscellaneous chores. They also provided refreshments for teachers on Teacher Appreciation Day. To earn money, FTA had a bake sale and car-wash. Miss Barbara Whitehead sponsored the club.

As one of their duties, Kathy Cook and Liz Whittington graded papers for teachers.

Officers of FTA for 1976-77 were: Janet Kozak, Vice-President; Deanna Booras, Treasurer; Alice Simmons, Historian.

GAYARRE Published Historical Calendar

Gayarre History Club, founded in 1929, promoted student interest in Shreveport's historical events by planning a tour of historic places in Shreveport, and publishing a historical calandar.

Gayarre, composed of American History students maintaining at least a "C" average, had a successful year under the leadership of Mrs. Lillian Schuford. The members held meetings once a month at the home of one of the members.

Members were: FRONT ROW: Alicia Briney, Debbie Bonnevier, Janice Carroll. SECOND ROW: Joanne Frybarger, Terri Fortner, Lisa Huddleston. THIRD ROW: Mrs. Schuford, Janet Kozak, Ann Fuller.

Other Gayarre members were: Connie Rossi, Regina McShan, and Dinah Hopper.

Officers were: June Harris, Treasurer; Melissa Marsh, Reporter; Kathy Cook, Sergeant at Arms; Dwight Swiney, Vice President; Lisa George, Secretary; Alice Simmons, Parliamentarian; Sara Reisz, President; Ann Perkins, Reporter.

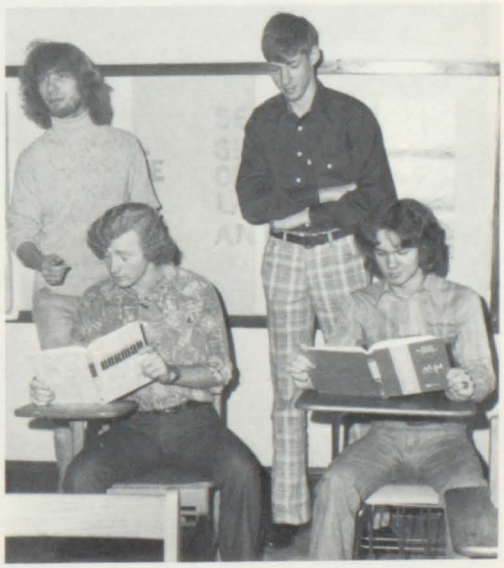
GERMAN CLUB Was Formed at Byrd

Officers were: Terri Fortner, Treasurer; Tim Eaton, Secretary; June Harriss, Chamberlain; Hallie Dozier, Chancellor.

Members were: FIRST ROW: Michael Johnson, Kim Robbins, Ricky Byers. SECOND ROW: Kirk Labor, Randy Burnett, Bill Clarke, Jack Cobb.

Deutsch Verein, or the German Club, began its first year at Byrd. Organized and sponsored by Mrs. Janet Colbert, membership was open to any student taking German I. The purpose of the German Club was to introduce the members to the Germanic culture. Many excellent opportunities arose for this including an Oktoberfest, a St. Nicholas party, the Festival of Languages at Northeast State University, meeting with other German Clubs in the city, and a Strudel Sale.

Mrs. Janet Colbert and members looked through German magazines.



German Club members read articles of interest in their textbooks.

GUSHER Staff Toured

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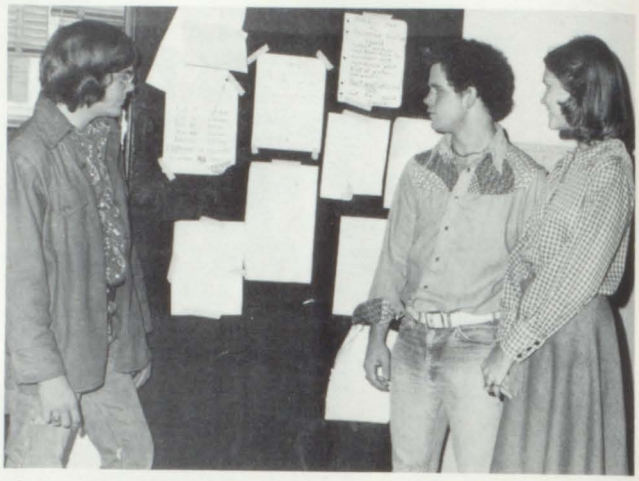


Charles Robinson, Craig Gilliam, and Margaret Bell read the announcements on the GUSHER room door.

The shelf of past GUSHERS was one of the GUSHER room's many features that was well used.

Becky Seidensticker, Vance Burns, Greta Waller, and Nancy Coleman looked at endsheets at Taylor.

Taylor Publishing Company

GUSHER staff members thoroughly enjoyed the library of yearbooks.

This year's officers who mailed finished pages were: Dana Atkins, Advertising Manager; Karen Risher, Business Manager; Meg Osetinsky, Co-associate Editor; Lance Rist, Co-associate Editor; and Jenny Verhalen, Editor.

The 1976-1977 GUSHER staff worked harder than ever to get the yearbooks out on time. They came many Saturdays and worked late after school to meet deadlines. Selling ads was important in paying the publishing company and in keeping the cost of individual books down, since Byrd boasts the biggest book in Shreveport. Each staff member fulfilled his assignments toward the completion of the book, and all members learned to work together as a whole. They had their ups and their downs, but learning from their mistakes and arguments, lasting friendships resulted.

The highlights of the year included a trip to Dallas to tour Taylor Publishing Company and to visit Six Flags over Texas, and a party at the end of the year to celebrate the arrival of the GUSHERS. The goal of the staff could not have been achieved without the supervision of Miss Wanda Whittington who was the editorial coordinator of the book, and Mrs. Phalamae Gray, who directed the business end of the publication. The chief concern of the staff this year was to record the joys, sorrows, excitements, and memories of the 1976-1977 school year.

Miss Wanda Whittington and Mrs. Phalamae Gray discussed plans for the 1977 GUSHER.

Pam Risher, Laura Renfro, Dwight Swiney, and Laura Gallagher worked together on their assigned pages.

GUSHER Staff Greatly

The GUSHER staff showed how much fun their trip to Six Flags in October was.

Liz Whittington and Susan Montano worked hard at one of the many workdays.

Stephen Walker, Jane Politz, and Anthony Thomas relaxed at the base of an oil derrick.

Enjoyed Six Flags Over Texas

Liz Whittington, Cal Griffith, Lauren Fillet, and Susan Montano looked at samples in the publishing company.

Monica Montano and John D'Anna called about selling an ad to Bearing Transmission Company.

Bentley Brister, Margo Johnson, Lynn Akins, and Allison Wafer stopped to rest aching feet at Six Flags.

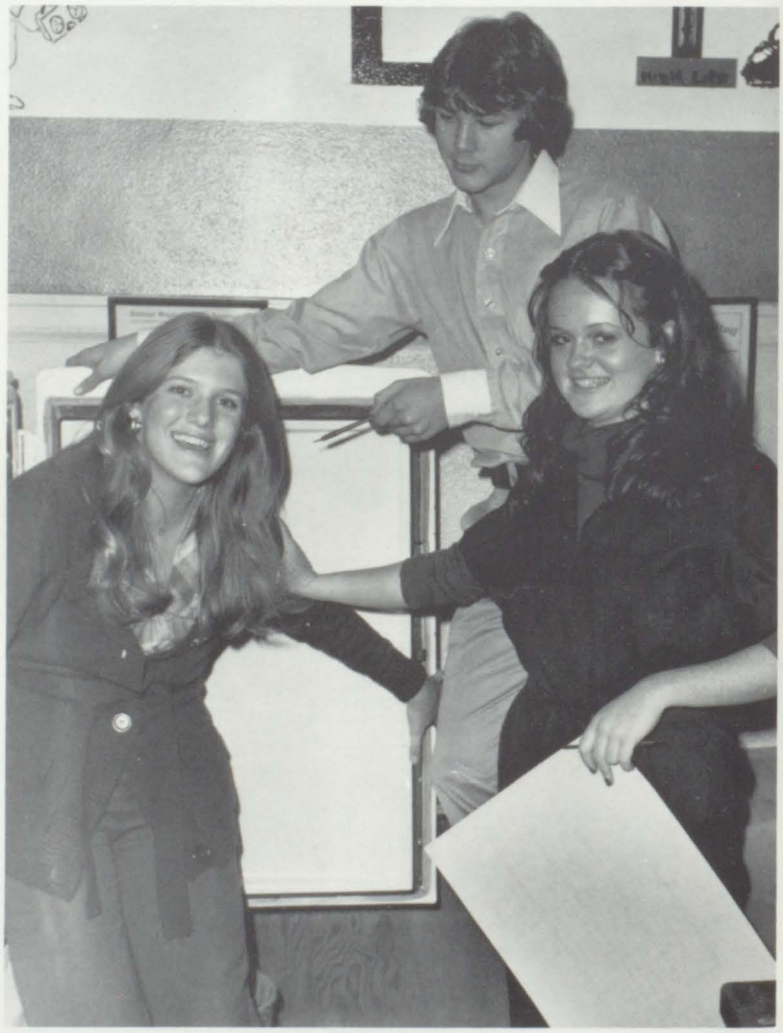
Mary Jane Minor, Tinyee Jue, Pat Phillips, and Lisa Huddleston stopped to rest while touring Taylor Publishing Company.

HIGH LIFE

The school newspaper, the HIGH LIFE, was published to keep students up to date on current events of the school and surrounding community. Articles were written for the HIGH LIFE by Journalism students as a facet of their class assignments, and also by the editorial staff. Ads were sold by the business staff in order to pay for the paper. As was the tradition, the HIGH LIFE staff selected two students for their outstanding service and leadership qualities. Honored this year in the Christmas issue as Mr. and Miss Mistletoe were Brooks Ray and Lynn Bigner. Money raising efforts of the HIGH LIFE staff included publishing a school directory and the Senior wills and testaments.

Advertising managers, Robin Horton and Peggy Fraser spent many hours on the phone obtaining ads.

Mrs. Maredia Bowdon served as Faculty Sponsor.



Personality Editor, Marian Bell; Cartoonist, David Ray; and Art Editor, Mary Slagle were important heads of staff.

Published Directories

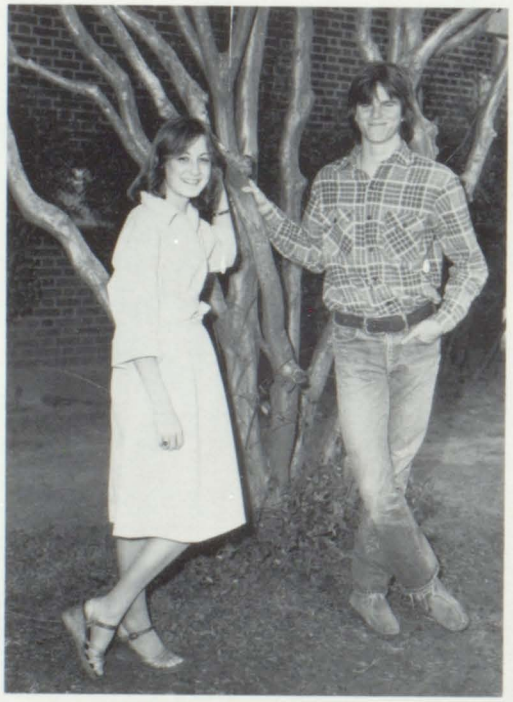
Sports Editors Robert Youngman and Scott Politz presented a humorous as well as factual account of athletic events.

Reporters were, FRONT ROW: Tom McLeod, Sandra Rushing, Lydia LeVasseur, Jackie Moss. SECOND ROW: Kyle Labor, Ramona Blunt, Lisa Carter, Gabrielle Oliver. THIRD ROW: Scott Politz, John Hughes, Bill Oglesby, Scott Holtby. FOURTH ROW: David Tanner, Phil Phillips, Johanna Campbell, Lois Wingfield. FIFTH ROW: Eric Peck, Bruce Bishop, Susan Hodge, Lauren Fillet, Elaine Mayo. SIXTH ROW: Anthony O'Bannon, James Fitzgerald, Alice Simmons. SEVENTH ROW: Roy Bailey, Gene Hubble, Roger Davis, Malcolm Tarver.

Reporters included, FRONT ROW: Jay May, Sara Reisz, Ramona Emanuel, Mark Stinson. SECOND ROW: Jimmy Oliver, Lisa George, Connie Rossi, Dinah Hopper. THIRD ROW: Donna Shields, Robin Robbins, Mark Brown, Lynn Bigner. FOURTH ROW: Monette Miller, Debbie Parker, Terri Fortner, Phyllis Carter. FIFTH ROW: Jackie Mayes, David Robinson, Geannie Davidson. SIXTH ROW: Clarastine Smith, Nancy Stokes, David Bolton. SEVENTH ROW: Clay Calhoun, Rusty Turner, Chris Carter.

HIGH LIFE Sold

FRONT ROW: Susan Hill, Lisa Hanby, Wendy Williams, Sondra Winderweedle, Janie Sharpe. SECOND ROW: Debbie McCann, Loretta Woolley, Unnetta Murphy, Elizabeth Oglesby, Tina Feldt, Debbie Logue. THIRD ROW: Kevin O'Brien, Donna Bradford, Cindy Nolan, Jeanne Howard, Douglas Rummings. FOURTH ROW: Heather Hayes, Rita Keckler, Jerome Smith, Clint Griffith, Greg Gras, Melanie Miller.



Miss Mistletoe, Lynn Bigner.
Mr. Mistletoe, Brooks Ray.

News Editor, Byron Trust; Layout Editor, Jenny Younker; and Feature Editor, Eleanor Guerin selected type.

Key Chains

Photographer, Chris Gras, and Bookkeeping Manager, Betty Tuminelo called for ads.

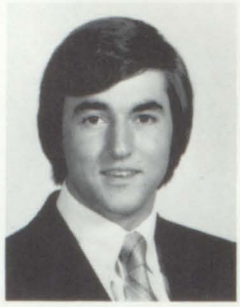
Managing Editor, John Patten and Editor, Scott Peavy, looked over the final copy.

FRONT ROW: Lavonda Byers, Greta Waller, Beverly McCulloch, Shirley Mosley, Jenny Norton. SECOND ROW: Jerry VanDeusen, Cheryl Johnson, Kathy Fenton, Deanna Booras, Burton Smith, Scott Petree. THIRD ROW: Jim Moss, Perry Powell, Rand Burgess, Paul Davison, Carter Brill, James Callen. FOURTH ROW: Rondell Edden, Billy Phillips, Robert Wisby, Donald A. Wynn, Pam McPherson, Melissa Miller, Mark Leonard, Thad Coburn.

INTERACT Sponsored

Interact, working to contribute to their school and community, raised money for various causes. Throughout the year, Interact sponsored a child in Columbia, sending monthly checks. In February they collected for the Heart Fund in different neighborhoods. Other service projects included helping in the Red River Revel and selling Poor Man Supper tickets for the Jewish-Christian Youth of Shreveport.

For enjoyment, Interact had a picnic in Texas and a Christmas party for the members and their dates. A slave sale was held in the spring to raise money. Interact supported school spirit by sponsoring the sheet banner contest on Gator Day and presenting the homecoming skit. Interact was sponsored by the South Shreveport Rotary Club and their new faculty advisor was Mr. H. R. Colbert.



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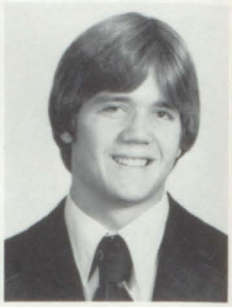
President

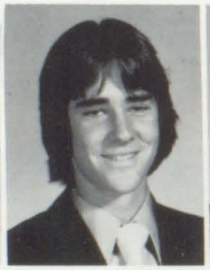


Scott Peavy
Vice-President

James Mills
Secretary

David Nelson
Treasurer

Bonn Baily



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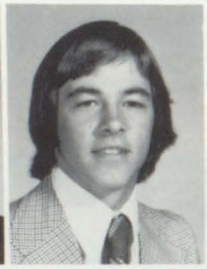


Billy Boswell

John D'Anna

John Demopulos

Rob Dixion

Clint Griffith

Mary Slagle sang during the Homecoming skit while members harmonized.

Tim Lambrecht

Eric Faust

Matt Moore

Bill Oglesby

James Oliver

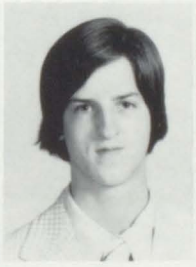
Brooks Ray

a Columbian Child

Interact sponsors were Donna Braford, Mary Slagle, Laura Gallagher, Helen Phelps, Melissa Miller, Patti Nelson, Jenny Younker, Allen Williams, Allison Wafer, Debbie Parker, and Monica Montano.

Billy Phillips

David Schwartz



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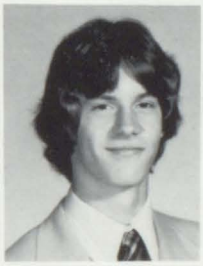


Elmer Slagle

Kem Smelser

Corry Wafer

Martin Walke

Caveman John Patton gave a pep talk during the Interact skit.

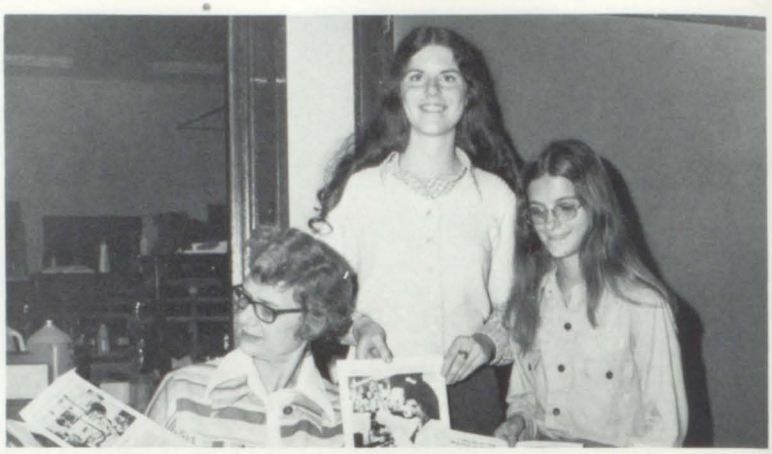
Duvall West

Tim Dobyns

David Ray

JML Kept Students Informed

The Junior Medical League consisted of thirty members. The club was sponsored by Miss Mary Norris. The purpose of the Junior Medical League was to help interested students become more informed about the various fields of medicine. Meetings were held during activity period each month. The program committee secured all speakers and club presentations. Some members of the club did volunteer work in various hospitals in the city, which helped to aid them in their medical knowledge.



Miss Mary Norris, Melissa Ray, and Kathy Eichler went over material for JML.

1976-77 Officers were: Cynthia Target, President; Christine Ruffin, Treasurer; Sophia Davis, Secretary.

Members were: FIRST ROW: Lisa George, Susan Hyde, Jennette Hall, Carmen Payne. SECOND ROW: Barbara Broderick, Janice Henderson, Carolyn Mahoney, Rose Mary Simmons. THIRD ROW: Robin Robbins, Cindy Efferson, Jennifer Gordon, Brenda Norman. FOURTH ROW: Ken Maxie, Linda York, Dwight Swiney, Cornell Walker, Simone Metoyer.

PURPLE JACKETS Heightened Enthusiasm

Officers were: FRONT ROW: Brenda Flecher, Treasurer; Zelda Tucker, Sgt. at Arms; Yolanda Richardson, President; Felicia McCain, Freshman Sgt. at Arms. SECOND ROW: Susan Hodge, Secretary; Debbie Choat, Assistant Treasurer; and Sheila Tucker, Vice President.

Members were: FRONT ROW: Dina Lally Cook, Rosalind Shamane Davis, Carla Kaye Scroggins, Sharon O'Neal. SECOND ROW: Jacqueline Sloan, Cindy Duffey, Sharon Ann Johnson, Barbara Fuller. THIRD ROW: Becky Bonnette, Karen Lyons, Terri Marshall, Ramona Murphy. FOURTH ROW: Sharon Ellis, Audrey Miller.

The Purple Jackets, sponsored by Mrs. Mattie Draughan, supported Byrd High School in many ways. The group sat together at every pep rally and received a special spirit stick on Gator Day. They also cheered for the football and basketball teams at their games. By putting up posters, they helped to heighten the enthusiasm of each and every student at Byrd.

Members of the Purple Jackets showed their spirit at every football game.

KEY CLUB Painted

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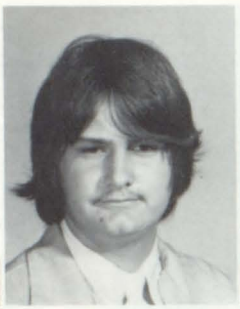
Tom Baudoin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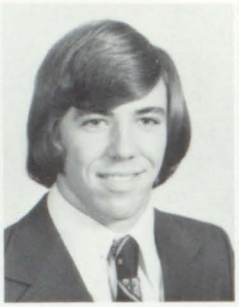
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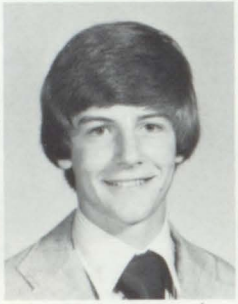
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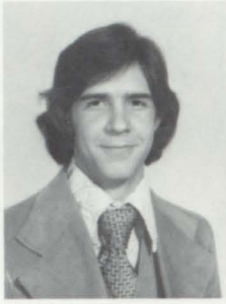
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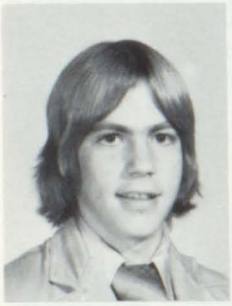
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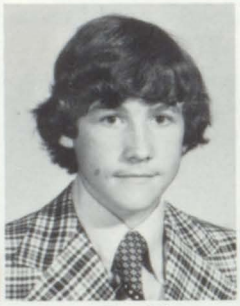
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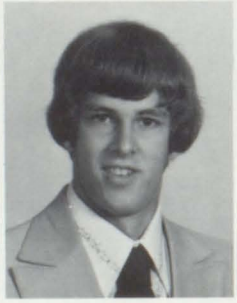
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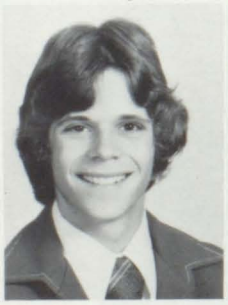
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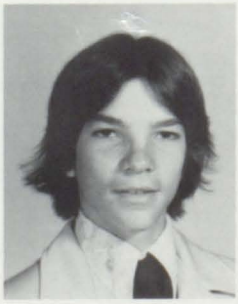
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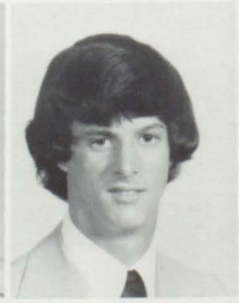

Robert Wisby

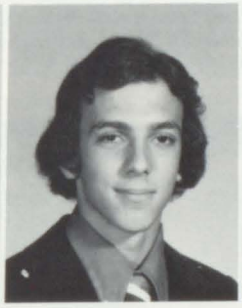
Mural to Show Spirit

Rhonda Statham and Paul Davison went to a Kiwanis Club luncheon.

Key Club strived to further school spirit with a variety of activities. Members and sponsors worked hard planning, drawing, and painting the mural which hung at the exit of the cafeteria. On Gator Day Key club sponsored the car decorating contest and gave trophies to the winners. Two members were sent downtown to represent the club at the Kiwanis club meeting every Tuesday. To support school spirit, members painted fantastic banners for every football assembly. Key along with other clubs collected for the Heart fund. Mrs. Glenda B. Harkness sponsored Key club during the 76-77 school year.

Robert Youngman
President

Scott Holtby
Vice-President



Dan Sandifer
Treasurer

Cal Griffith
Secretary

Key Club sponsors were: Margaret Bell, Tina Feldt, Marian Bell, Rhonda Statham, Liz Oglesby, Libby Taylor, Sandy Bonfardino, and Diane Cooper.

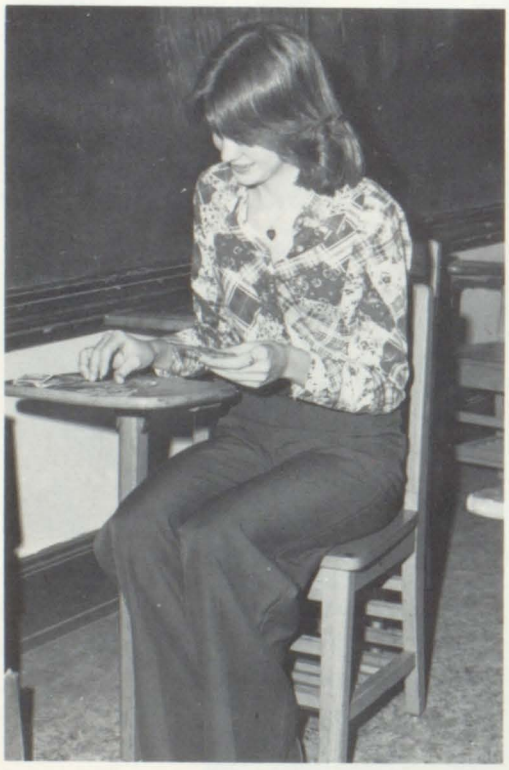
LATIN CLUB Attended the

Selling stationery, painting banners for the football games, decorating a car for the Homecoming football game, and having their Christmas party were a few of the many activities of the 1976-77 Latin Forum.

The Latin Forum is one of the oldest organizations at Byrd; it was established by Miss Hetty Ecker in 1925. The Latin Forum consisted of the students presently taking Latin or at least two years of Latin in the past. Mrs. Janet Colbert was the sponsor.

The Latin Forum anxiously awaited the State Convention held in Baton Rouge in March where they participated in scholastics contest, olympics, costume contest, and Roman Banquet. They also listened to speakers and took part in various Latin Workshops. The Latin Forum ended their year with their annual picnic.

Officers of the Latin Forum were: Debbie Bains, Consul at Large; Dawn Akins, Parliamentarian; Leslie Poss, Historian; Debbie Bonnevier, Recording Secretary. SECOND ROW: Kathy Cook, Corresponding Secretary; Kyle Labor, Sergeant-at-Large; Elizabeth Oglesby, Consul; Patti Nelson, Treasurer; Bill Oglesby, Tribune.



Treasurer Patti Nelson counted the money from the stationery sale.

Clint Griffith selected a poster for the Latin Convention.

State Convention in Baton Rouge

Bill Oglesby and Mrs. Janet Colbert talked over plans about the Latin Club plans for the Latin Convention.

Wynn Hutto and Doris Franks looked over the stationery the Latin Club sold.

Latin Club members were: FRONT ROW: Tom Campbell, John Hendricks, Jack Bigner, Jay Poss, Sandy McClellan. SECOND ROW: Alice Gednetz, Doris Franks, Robin Robbins, Melissa Ray, John Halk, Frank Halk. THIRD ROW: Chris Carter, Clint Griffith, Richard Reid, Wynn Hutto, Casey Thomas.

LEO CLUB Had the Winning

Hopper Fulco, President, accepted the spirit stick for Leo at the Homecoming assembly from Monica Montano.

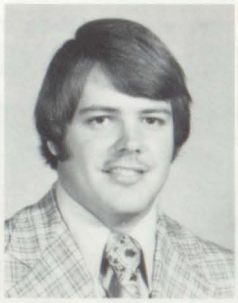
Hopper Fulco
President

Byron Trust
Vice-President

Kirk Labor
Secretary

Bently Brister
Treasurer

Clay Calhoun



Bill Charrier

Dan Cheeseman

John Dornbusch

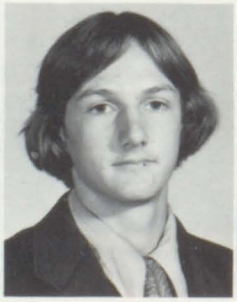
Chris Gras

Charles Hanna

Jeff Harper

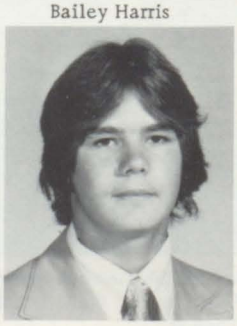
Bailey Harris

Bo Holley



John Ingram

Richard Ingram

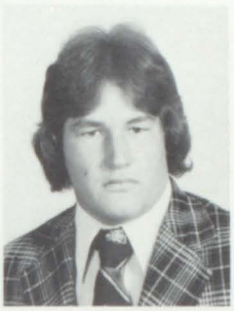


Mark Leonard

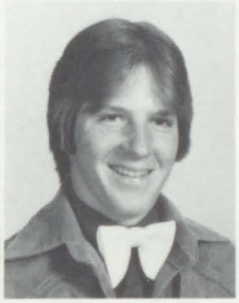
Car on GATOR DAY

Bart Lester

Scott Lewis

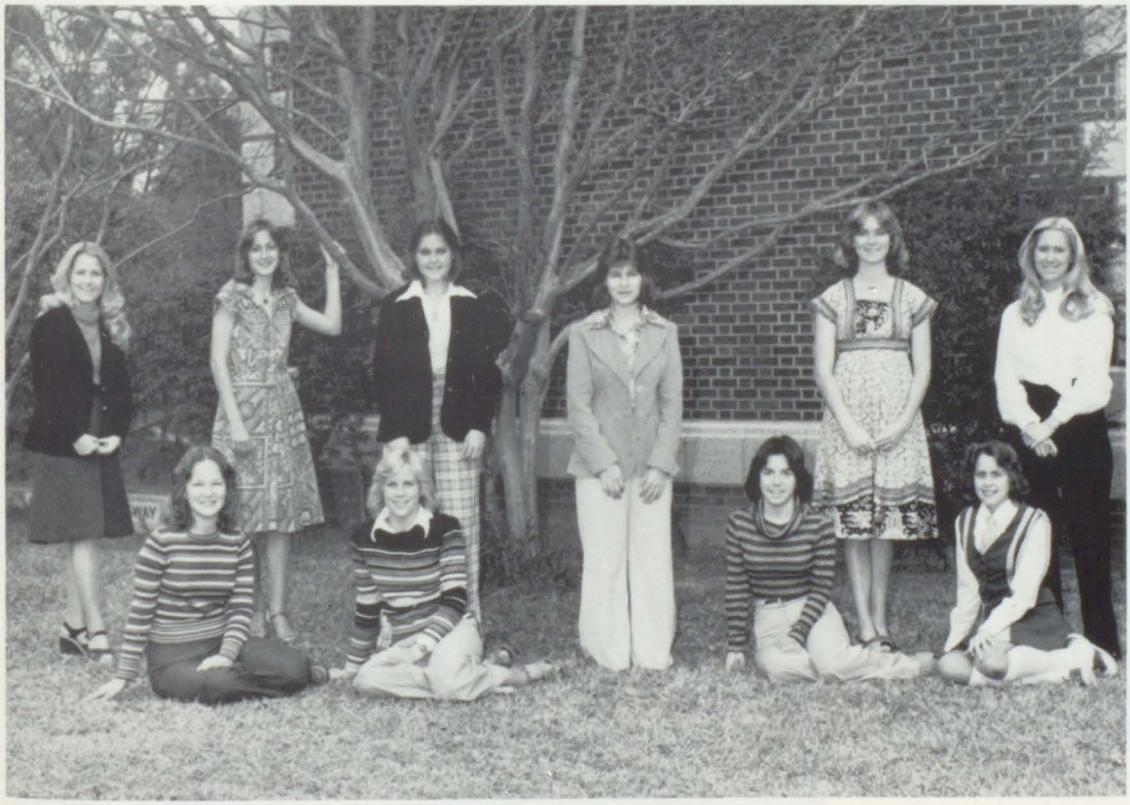

Scott Petree

Billy Roussel


Stan Steadman

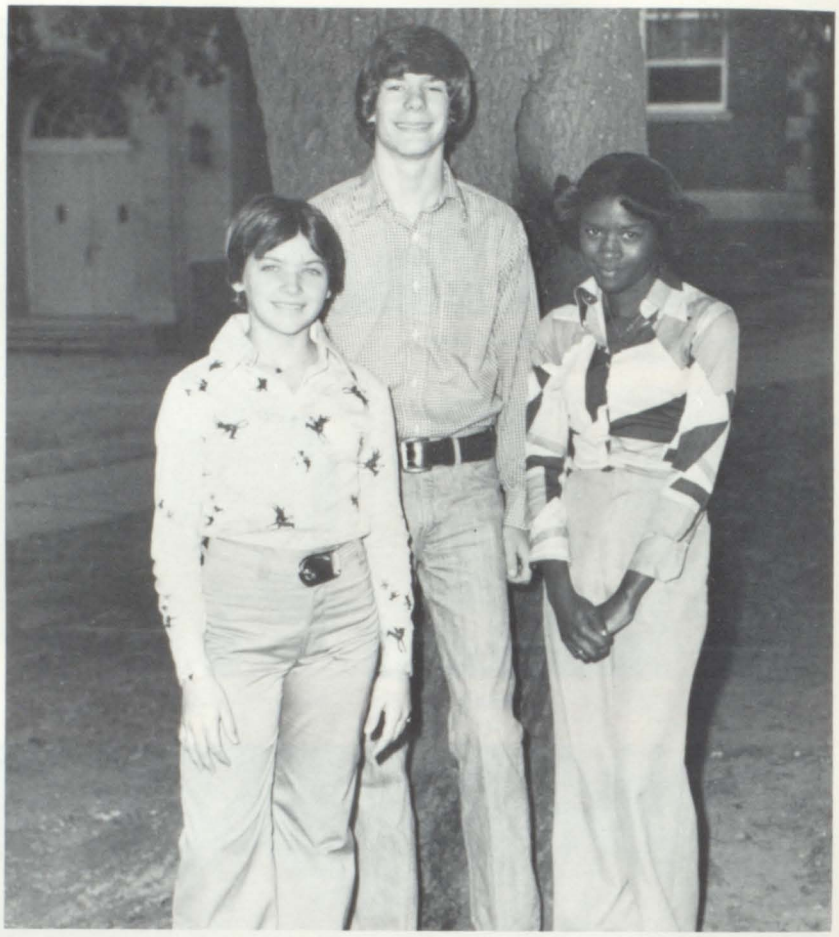
Rodney Thomas

Leo Club, a service organization sponsored by the Downtown Lion's Club, accomplished many goals set to benefit their school and community. Led by their president Vince Fulco, Leo Club painted many spirited banners to hang in the auditorium during football season. Another spirited effort of Leo's paid off as they won the Annual Gator Day Car contest with the slogan "Jackets in Control." Leo also worked with Key Club on plans to remodel the Sippy Hut. One money raising project for Leo was the sale of light bulbs. To benefit the community, Leo contributed money to Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital and also collected for the Heart Fund. Under the direction of faculty advisor Lowell Brown, Leo successfully ended another year.


Leo Club sponsors were: STANDING: Sara Reisz, Lynn Bigner, Phyllis Carter, Debbie McCann, Wendy Williams, Ann Perkins. SITTING: Susan Montano, Becky Seidensticker, Deanna Booras, Dana Atkins.

LIBRARY CLUB Collected

Donating their time and skills to the benefit of the library, the members of the Library Club were a great asset to the school. The workers collected old magazines and took them to hospital patients. In December, they held their yearly Christmas party, and they ended their year with the annual banquet in May. The group also attended the annual Library Media Workshop at Northwestern University in Natchitoches. The club started a new reading program contest in which they offered prizes. The Library Club sponsors for this were Mrs. Lucille Tindol and Miss Lee Persley.



Library Club officers were: Theresa Johnson, Treasurer; John Hughes, President; Lessie Rye, Secretary.

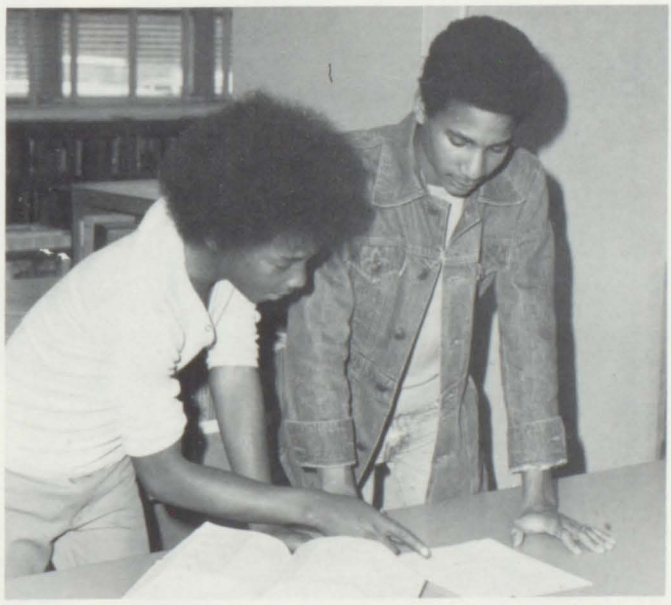
Jackie Kennedy straightened up the paperback books.

Marie Stewart assisted Sue Jue in checking out a book for her English class.

Magazines for Hospital Patients

FRONT ROW: Cordouas Lafitte, Steve Coleman, Brenda Wilson, Elizabeth Stewart, Sandra Wynn, Stella Stoddard, Marie Stewart, Beverly Moore, Debbie Hicks. SECOND ROW: Jerry Teel, Jennifer Ford, Donnie Attaway, Jacqueline Kennedy, John Walker, Rose Mary Simmons, Ellen Whalen, Connie Giglio, Donna Shields. THIRD ROW: Jacqueline Mack, Linda Johnson, Martha Washington, Jeff Phillips, Cindy Havard, John Horton, Patricia Williams, Joseph Roussel. FOURTH ROW: Donald Wynn, Mike Leon, Bruno Hall, Precious Reed, Chappelle Henderson, Jackie Mayes, Alphonso Williams, John Young.

Donna Shields helped Robin Horton look up references.



Michael Terry showed Mack Stewart how to use the READER'S GUIDE to find magazine articles.

OFFICE WORKERS Learned

Volunteer workers were a great help to the secretaries and the counselors at Byrd. The office workers learned many useful skills by working in the office, delivering the morning absentee sheets, making telephone calls, picking up the absentee cards, and many other important duties. The students gave up their study hall period to be of service in various offices. The students learned responsibilities as they performed their duties of working in the office.

Wendy Guillet and Susan LaBorde helped with filing in the Counselor's office.

Connie Bunkem gave Mr. George Wilson a student's attendance card.

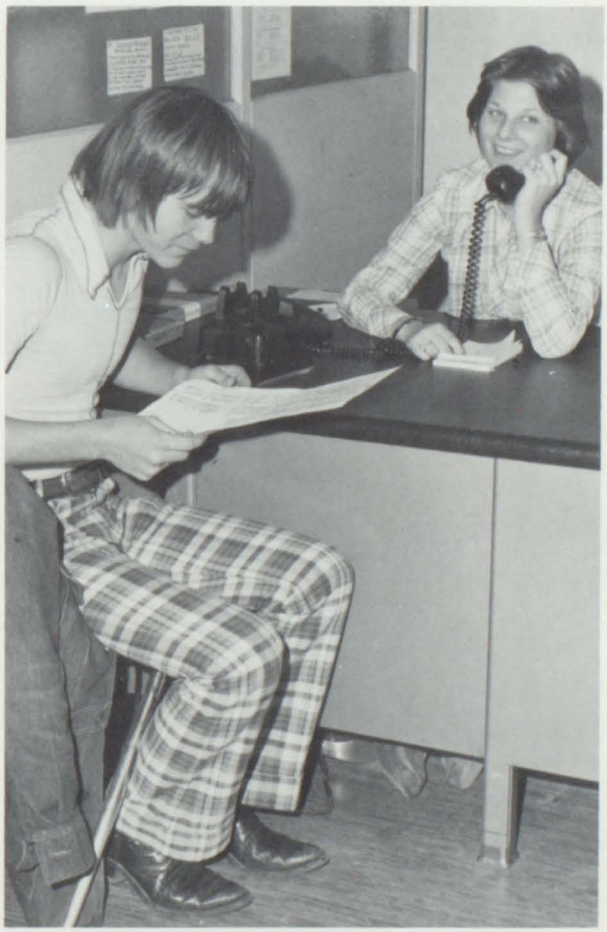
FRONT ROW: Nina McCombs, Sandra Winderweedle, Debbie McCann, Wendy Guillet, Eileen Nance. SECOND ROW: Belinda Mills, Jamie Bales, Janice Carroll, Joanna Llornace. THIRD ROW: Randy Rossi, Jeanne Howard, Colette Clark, Jan Cathey, Lynn Bigner. FOURTH ROW: Michael Skilling, Helen Phelps, Susan LaBorde, Melissa Miller, Barbara Brown.

Many Important Duties

Jan Cathey found a schedule card for Mrs. Elaine Risher.

Lynn Bigner took a student evaluation sheet to Mrs. Evon Alexander.

FRONT ROW: Twone Cooper, Veronica Powell, Lorna Stringer. SECOND ROW: Deborah Morrison, Carla Scroggins, Connie Bunkem, Felicia McCain.



Michael Skilling and Melissa Garacci helped in the office by calling the homes of the absentees.

SCIENCE CLUB Hosted Speakers

The Science Club, sponsored by Mr. James Chico, was an organization composed of science students who wanted to further their knowledge of the subject. A standing project of the Science Club was to supervise the lighting and sound systems of the auditorium throughout the year. The Science Club had various speakers to come and speak about different areas in the field of science. Among the speakers were Dr. R. D. Holstead who discussed Careers in Engineering, Dr. B. L. Price who spoke on Water and Ecology Engineering, Dr. D. D. Reneau who discussed Bio-Medical Engineering, and Dr. R. F. Sarron who gave a demonstration on Cryogenics. The Science Club also made a trip in March to the Nuclear Center at Louisiana Tech.

Dr. D. D. Reneau from Louisiana Tech gave a lecture on Bio-Medical Engineering.

Dr. R. D. Holstead from Louisiana Tech spoke on careers in engineering.

Science students watched as Dr. R. F. Sarron from Louisiana Tech gave a demonstration on Cryogenics.

SIPPY HUT Served Students

Kim Angevine

Craig Atkins

Dana Atkins

Roger Barham

Lynn Bigner

John D'Anna

Kathy Fenton

Vince Fulco

Lisa George

Denise Guckert

Roberta Lambrecht

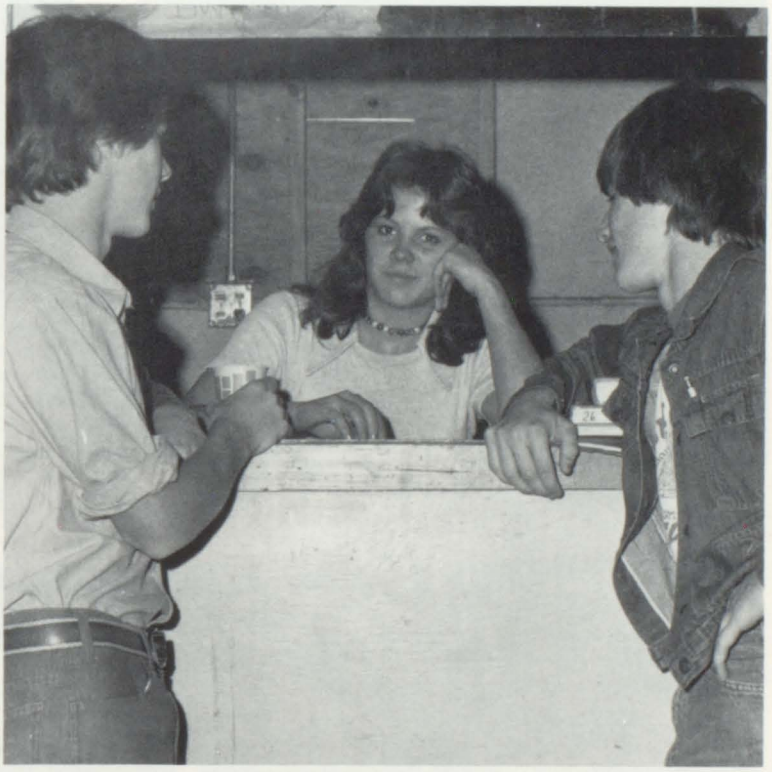
Jim Moss

Laura Renfro

Karen Risher

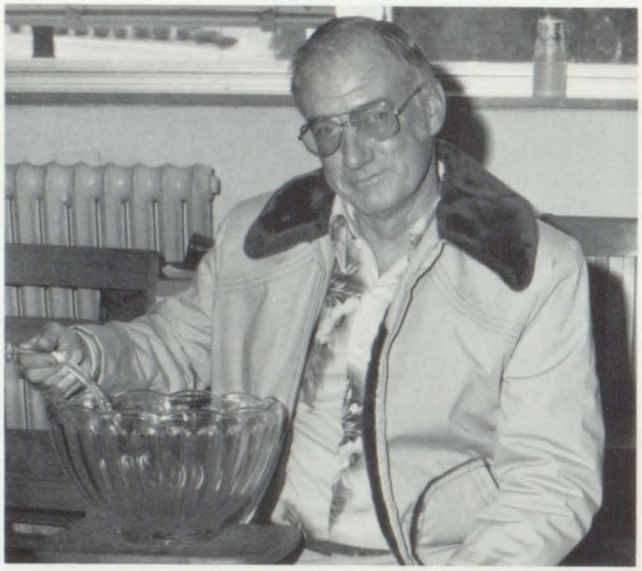
Brenda Sebren

Cool, refreshing, delicious sippies were slurped by thirsty students throughout the day. To keep the sippy hut open and sippies made required the voluntary help of several students. The first hour students along with Artic Inc. kept the Sippy machines in working order. The Sippy Hut, a non-profit facility, helped the Pep Squad as well as helped keep the price of the GUSHER down. The Sippy Hut was a great success in its third year of operation thanks to the participation of many students buying sippies and those students working in the Sippy Hut.


Elmer Slagle and Paul Davidson stopped between classes for a sippy served to them by Rose Roussel.

LOS VECINOS Attended

The Spanish Club, under the direction of Mr. Jack Goodman, participated in many activities which promoted their knowledge of Spanish. In December, the club held a Christmas fiesta with Mexican dinners and a piñata. In March, the club members attended a language fiesta at Northeast Louisiana University. All year long the club prepared for their trip to Monterrey, Mexico, which was taken at the end of the school year. Following tradition, the club held an awards banquet at El Chicos, in May.



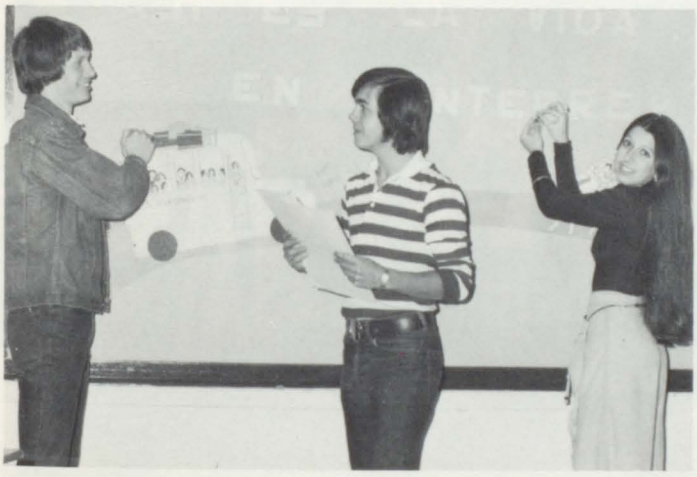
Mr. Jack Goodman served as the sponsor of Spanish Club.

Spanish Club members were: FIRST ROW: Dana Atkins, Susan Montano, Becky Finkbohner, Sonja Owens. SECOND ROW: Becky Randolph, Mary Westrich, Robin Horton, Meg Osetinsky. THIRD ROW: Pallie Hopkins, Melissa Ray, Phyllis Carter, Deb Williamson. FOURTH ROW: Linda Wallace, Melissa Miller, Thomas Wafer, Blaine Borders. FIFTH ROW: Frank Smith, Jimmy Shaffer, Elaine Mayo, Rob Dixon.

Spanish Club officers were: Monica Montano, Reporter; Becky Seidensticker, Vice-President; Billy Boswell, Secretary-Treasurer; Laura Renfro, President.

Language Festivals

Members of the Spanish Honor Roll kept a "B" average through two years of Spanish. They were: FIRST ROW: Laurie Dillard, Becky Seidensticker, Billy Boswell, Monica Montano, Phyllis Carter. SECOND ROW: Thomas Wafer, Melissa Miller, Blaine Borders, Linda Wallace, Melissa Ray, Rob Dixon, Meg Osetinsky, Robin Horton.



Dwain Bryan and Mattie Tebele assembled the bulletin board under Fernando Muñoz's directions.

Melissa Miller, Susan Montano, and Robin Horton enjoyed Mexican dishes for lunch.

Dwain Bryan displayed the piñata used at the club's Christmas fiesta.

PEP SQUAD Backed

The Pep Squad is one of Byrd's finest organizations. The girls in this organization worked many hard hours during the summer and after school to promote school spirit. To generate enthusiasm, the girls made posters, banners, postcards, and placemats, gave a spirit breakfast, sponsored the Gator Hunt, and led the Senior March.

To raise money, the girls sold candles, Heath candy bars, and Jamboree tickets. Also, to serve as a money making project, the Pep Squad revived the traditional carnival. Acting as Pep Squad Sponsor for the 1976-77 school year was Mrs. Helen Hedgemon.

The Pep Squad enthusiastically cheered the football team on.

Mrs. Helen Hedgemon
Sponsor

Kathy Cook
Majorette

Lynn Akins
President

Dana Atkins
Vice-President

Karen Risher
Secretary

Mattie Tebele
Treasurer

Laura Renfro
Junior-Sgt.-at-Arms

the Baseball Team

The Senior members of the 1976-77 Drums Corps were: FRONT ROW: Lisa Huddleston, Patsy Murphey, Margo Johnson, Lisa George, Lisa Pointdexter, Sara Reisz. SECOND ROW: Roberta Lambrecht, Karen Risher, Jacquine Shepherd, Barbara Broderick, Lynn Bigner, and Kathy Post.

At the Southwood game, the Pep Squad prepared to do a field performance.

STINGERETTES Symbolized Spirit

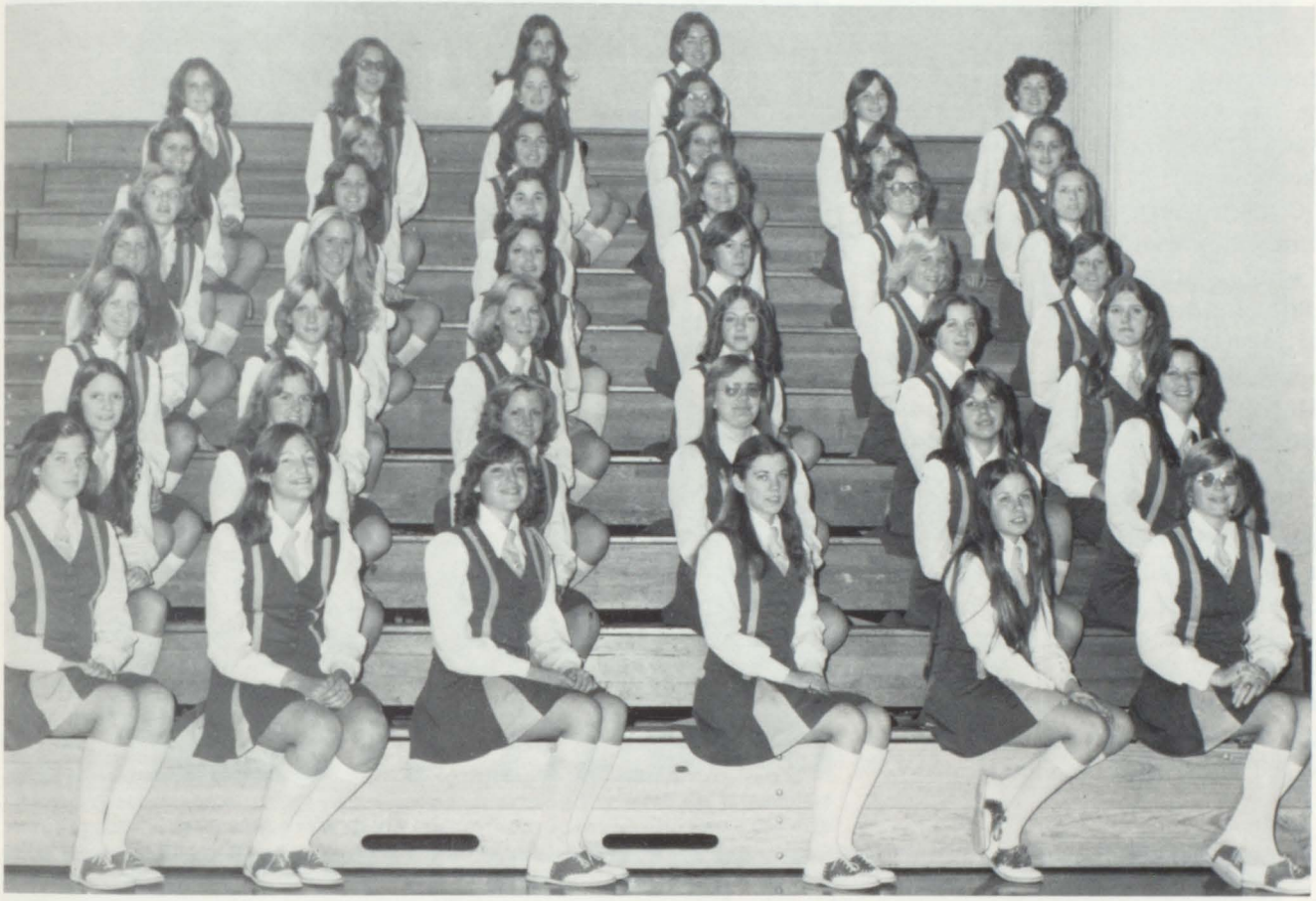
One of the Gator Day banners depicted football players skinning gators.

Majorette, Kathy Cook, and President, Lynn Akins, led the Pep Squad off the field.

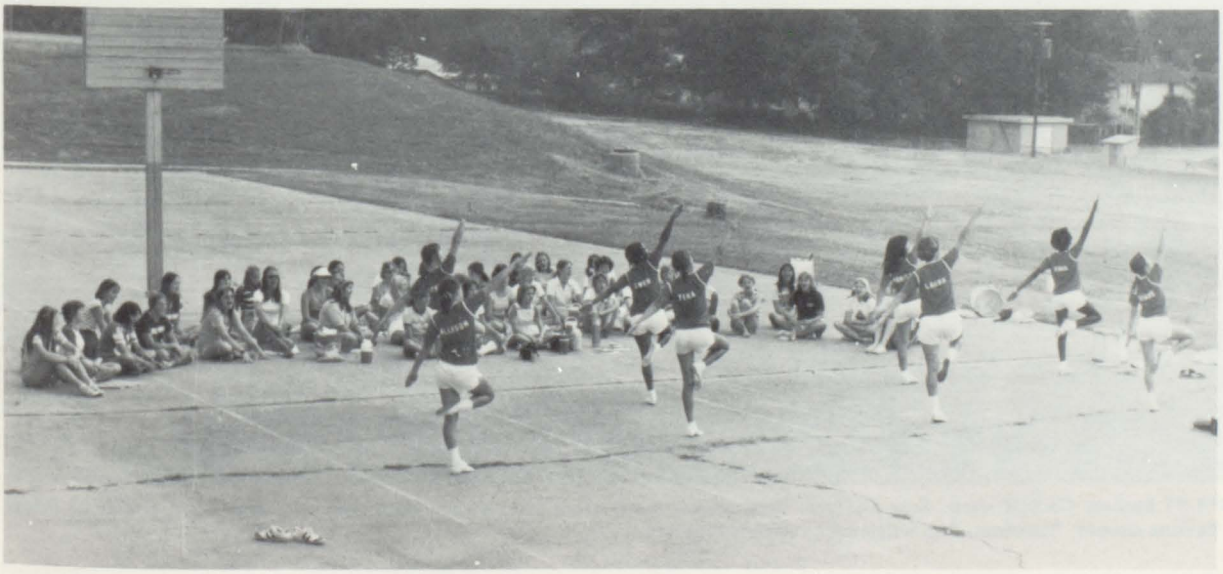
For the Ruston Skit, the Pep Squad portrayed the football coaches.

On the field members of the Drum Corps played their drums with enthusiasm.

and the Hope of Success



The members of the 1976-77 Junior Pep Squad were: FRONT ROW: Deb Williamson, Jan Rodwell, Laura Renfro, Lisa Warren, Dawn Jorgenson, Leigh Anne Kreeger. SECOND ROW: Harriet Boddie, Peggy Fraser, Denette DeYoung, Vickie Tingle, Alicia Briney, Susan LaBorde. THIRD ROW: Pat Phillips, Rhonda Statham, Jan Cathy, Debbie Sharpe, Greta Waller, Marion Bell. FOURTH ROW: Robin Horton, Ann Perkins, Millisa Marsh, Helen Gates, Becky Seidensticker, Lydia LeVasseur. FIFTH ROW: Vicky Galloway, Mary Jane Minor, Amy Williams, Susan Montano, Liz Whittington, Lois Wingfield. SIXTH ROW: Gayle Cheatwood, Sandy Bonfardine, Deanna Booras, Kim Angevine, Laura Flowers, Debbie Bains. SEVENTH ROW: Phillis Carter, Pam McPerson, Jenny Younker, Julia Knight, Susan Duncan, Elaine Mayo. EIGHTH ROW: Lauren Fillet, and Nancy Coleman.



During the summer practice the cheerleaders taught the Pep Squad new cheers.

STUDENT COUNCIL Hosted

The Student Council, which consisted of officers, representatives, alternates and the executive committee, planned and sponsored numerous activities throughout the year.

The Council began the school year by welcoming new Freshmen and Sophomores with a skit on Orientation Day. Mark Stinson, president of the Student Council, led the student government in many projects. In October the Student Council was the host of the Louisiana Association of Student Councils Convention which was held at the Convention Center. In November the Student Council sponsored the Mock Presidential Election so that students could vote on the Presidential candidates. Some of the Student Council's projects included Gator Day, Dope Stop, Go West Day, Orientation Day, and Basketball Day. Miss Jerry Malone, the Student Council's faculty advisor, helped the Council to achieve many goals.

Members of the 1976-77 Executive Committee were: FRONT ROW: Joanne Frybarger. SECOND ROW: Clip Cowan, Debbie Parker. THIRD ROW: Carla Efferson, Scott Politz, Cathy Pyle. FOURTH ROW: Derynda Ozment, Cheryl Britt, Gayle Cheatwood, Doris Franks.

Officers of thw 1976-77 Student Council were: Greg DeFatta, Sergeant-at-Arms; Mark Stinson, President; David Manry, Vice-President; Janet Kozak, Secretary; Pauline Cooper, Treasurer; Deb Williamson, Parliamentarian.

LASC Convention

Junior and Senior Representatives were: FRONT ROW: Loretta Woolley, Dorenda Steadman, Debra Wilkins, Mary Richardson, Carl Clark, Phyllis Carter, Debbie Bonnevier, Mary Jane Minor, Susan Duncan. SECOND ROW: Charles Rodriguez, W. J. McCurry, Yvonne Clarkson, Bentley Brister, Laura Gallagher, Margaret Bell, Valera Robinson, John Patten, Henry Lefkowitz. THIRD ROW: Mike Sutton, Noreen DeVries, Elaine Mayo, Daren Cannon, Ginetta Williams, Dwight Swiney, Boyd Holley.

Miss Jerry Malone introduced the guests at the Louisiana Association of Student Councils during the banquet.

STUDENT COUNCIL Held

Freshman and Sophomore Representatives were: FRONT ROW: Sharon Deforge, Lorri Phillips, Grace Bobbitt, Jo Manry, Michael Crow, Jason Clark. SECOND ROW: Stephen Walker, Billy Noble, Alicia Smith, Lisa Hartsell, Heather Hayes, Brenda Sebren. THIRD ROW: Graylon Pier, Liz Pittman, Susan Howse, Mary Courtney, Gary McFarland, Larry Vines, Jeb Palmer.

Deb Williamson and Joanne Frybarger assisted an LASC member at the Student Council Convention.

Mock Election

Freshman and Sophomore Alternates were: FRONT ROW: Dejuana Lindsay, Johnny Eichler, Jay Poss. SECOND ROW: Cynthia Holland, Sandra Armer, Terry England. THIRD ROW: Rickey Parker, John Demopulos, John Berton. FOURTH ROW: Denise Guckert, Karen Johnson, Aleen Brown. FIFTH ROW: Michael Maildin, Freida Williams, Clarastine Smith.

Mrs. Nellie V. Strother and Dr. and Mrs. B. L. Shaw attended the LASC Convention in October.

Mark Stinson presented Dr. B. L. Shaw a plaque from the Student Council.

Junior and Senior Alternates were: FRONT ROW: Georganna Henry, Unnetta Murphy, Carolyn Mahoney, Sonia Sloan. SECOND ROW: Lynne Cain, Karen Milner, Allen Williams, Terri Fortner. THIRD ROW: Ola Smith, Linda Lawrence, Sherri Burleigh, Robert Nelson, Eric Latson. FOURTH ROW: Susan Freeman, Henry Graham, Felton Harrison. FIFTH ROW: Pam McPherson, Melissa Miller, Jim Moss.

YACA Helped Make Decorations

The Byrd Chapter of Youth Art Council of America was active in many activities at Byrd. To increase Jacket spirit the Art Club made banners to put in each teacher's room. In the fall, spirit banners, painted by Art Club members, were a familiar sight in the halls and in assemblies. This year the club did portraits of the Senior football players for the Captain Shreve game. During the month of February, Y.A.C.A. members sold cupid bags to be delivered to the students on Valentine's Day. The club painted the basement halls in creative designs as a project. The year ended with a convention and a field trip. The club was under the direction of Mr. E. H. Allen.

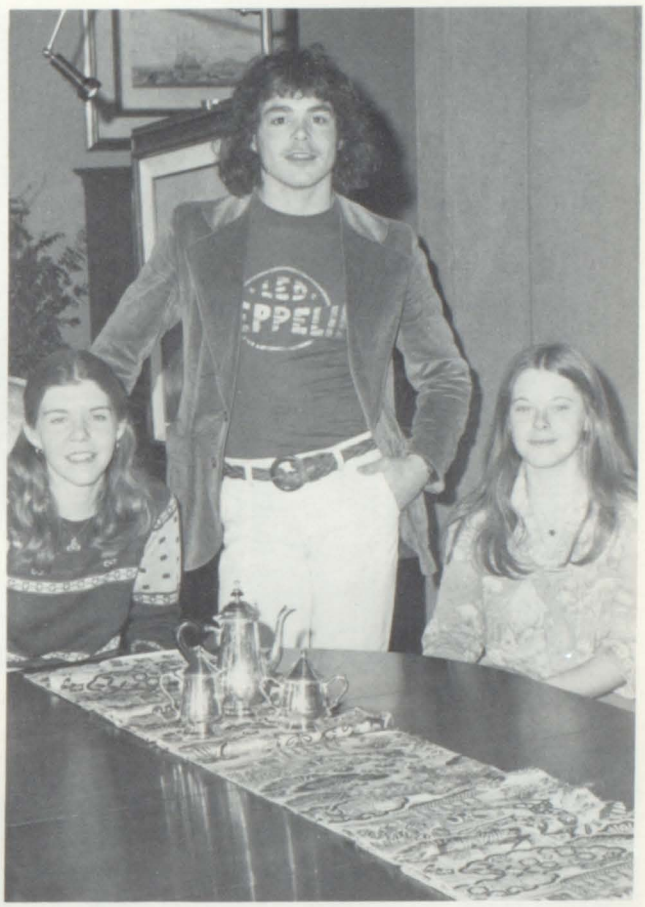
Members of the 1976-77 Art Club were: Glenda Thomason, Lucy Dehart, Jeanne Woolley, James Mills, Eleanor Guerien.

Officers of the 1976-77 Art Club were: Dwight Swiney, Vice-President; Loretta Woolley, Secretary; David Manry, Treasurer; Kevin Kennedy, President; Sarah Woolley, Reporter-Historian.

Mr. E. H. Allen, Art Club sponsor, and Kevin Kennedy, Art Club president, enjoyed the artistic room arrangements at Yarbrough Interior Designers.

for Student Council Convention

Jo Manry and Tamie Byrant found many interesting items at Yarbrough Interior Designers.



Erin O'Brien, Dennis Neely, Donis Dietrich were members who devoted much of their time to the Art Club.

Enjoying the atmosphere at a local art gallery were Liz Labor, Ricky Parker, Barbara Ward, Melanie Shafer, and Sharon Dollar.

"Z" Club Elected

"Z" Club helped the school and community throughout the year by their devotion to needy organizations and fund raising drives. The "Z" Club is sponsored by the Zonta Club of Shreveport and served as their helpers throughout the year. Two new additions to "Z" club this year were Mrs. Joan Gleason as faculty advisor and M&M Buddies as sponsors. "Z" Club participated in the Red River Revel by guiding school children to certain activities set up for them. The club also sold candy for the Kidney Foundation and attended several projects throughout year. "Z" Club proudly served their school and community throughout the year.

Meg Osetinsky
President

Elaine Mayo
Vice President

Karen Risher
Secretary

Nancy Coleman
Treasurer

Diana Abney

Dawn Akins

Dana Atkins

Marian Bell

Deanna Booras

Barbara Broderick

Lisa Carter

Jan Cathey

Ramona Emanuel

Tina Feldt

Doris Franks

Peggy Fraser

Laura Gallagher

Lisa George

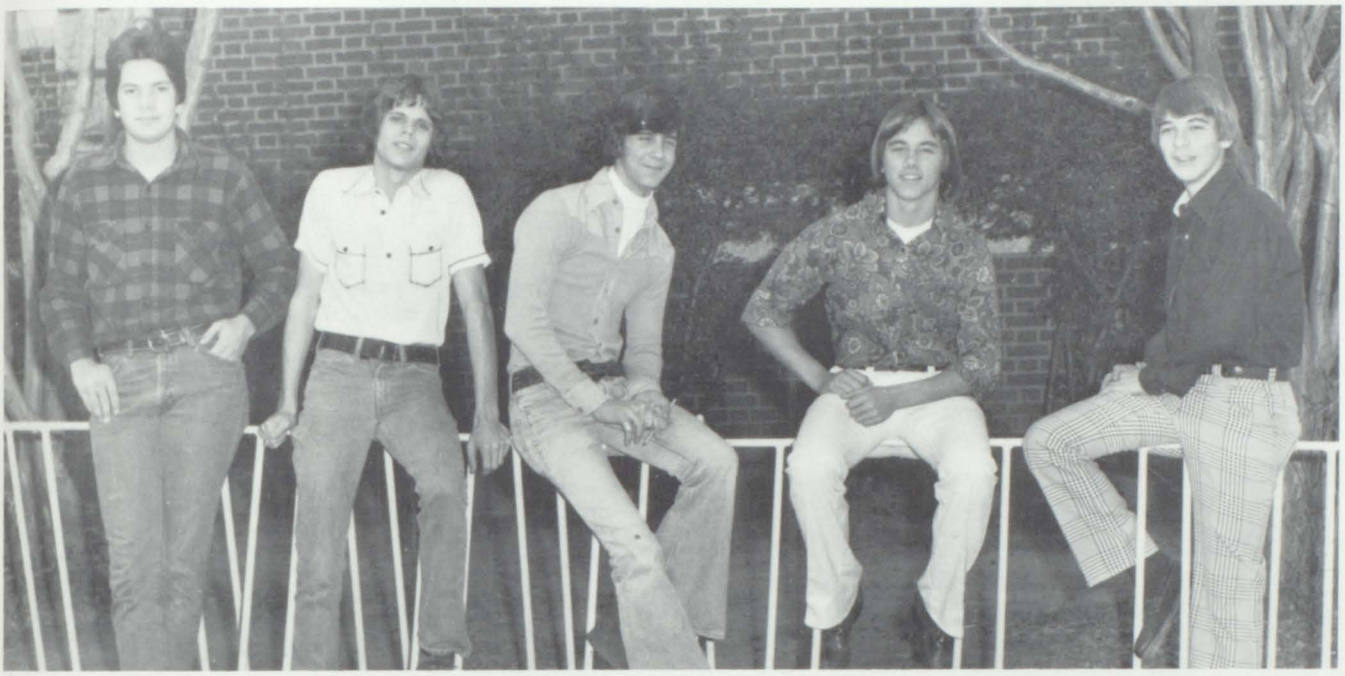
Wendy Guillet

Margo Johnson

Ronalee Jorgenson

Julia Knight

M & M Buddies



M&M Buddies, "Z" Club sponsors, were: David Nelson, Scott Politz, Greg DeFatta, Billy Boswell, and Martin Walke.

Janet Kozak

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Kathy Post

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Becky Seidensticker

Mary Slagle

Mattie Tebele

Jenny Verhalen

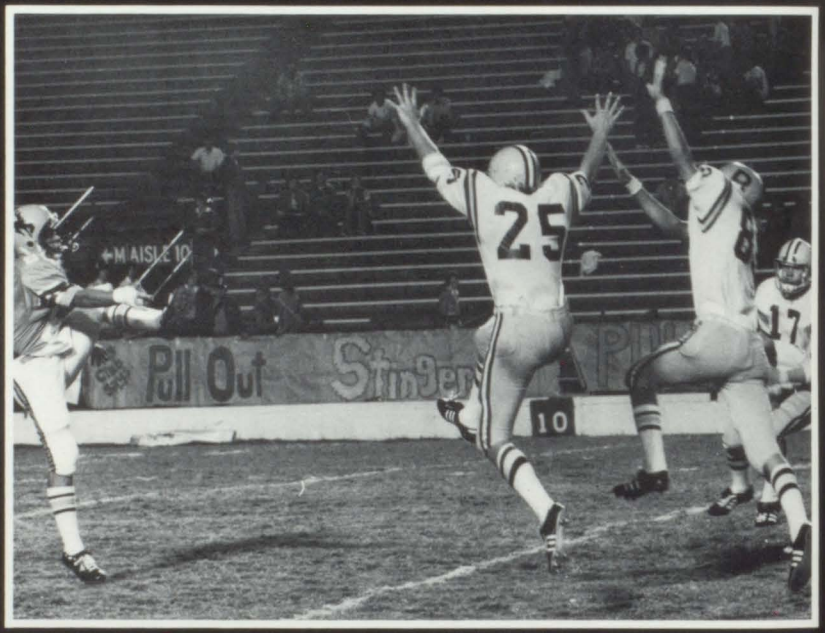
Allison Wafer

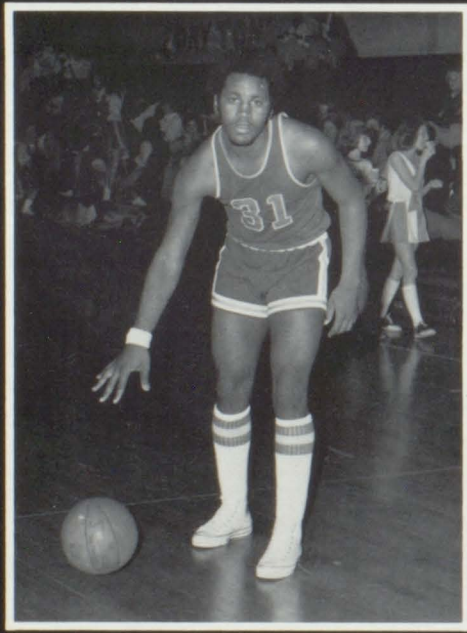
Greta Waller

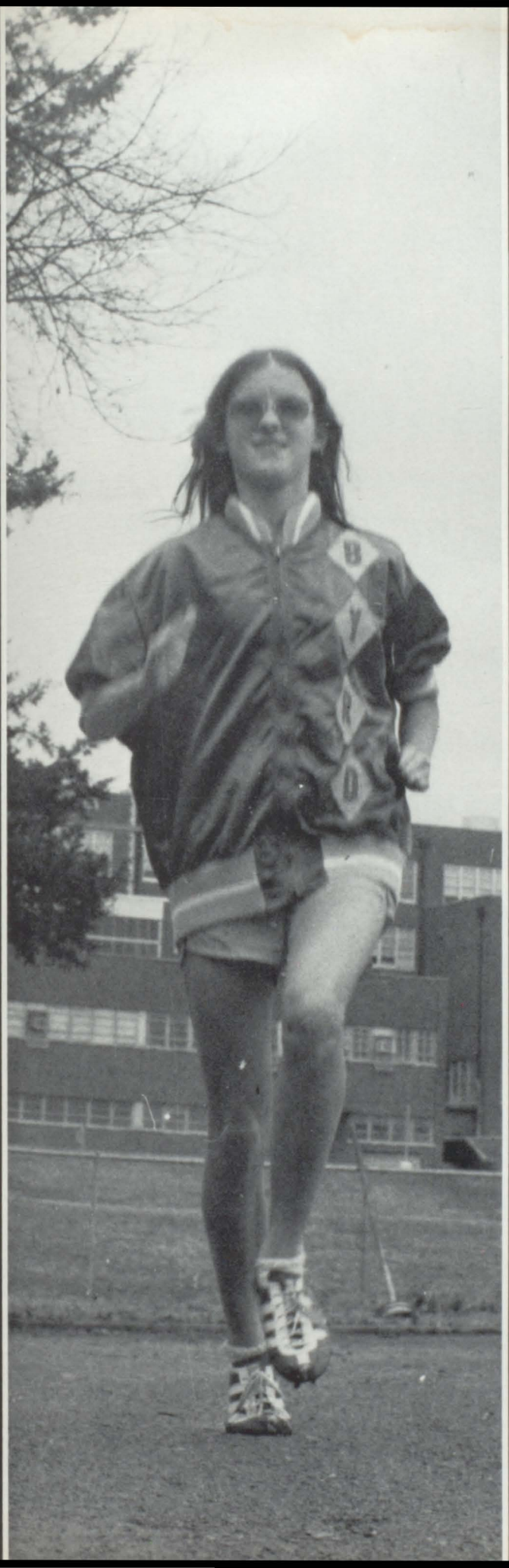
Jenny Younker

The sports scene changed as the times changed. One no longer heard of only the boy's track or basketball team, for the girls started their own. The sounds of strength and encouragement were heard from the devoted coaches. Each athlete performed to his or her best ability so that the 1976-1977 season was successful.

TOP: Joe Leon swung the bat with power in the game against Huntington. MIDDLE: Bentley Brister and Robert Bolin attempted to stop a Southwood punt. BOTTOM: Terry Woods made a successful layup.
OPPOSITE PAGE: Kathy Eichler ran every day on Byrd's track.



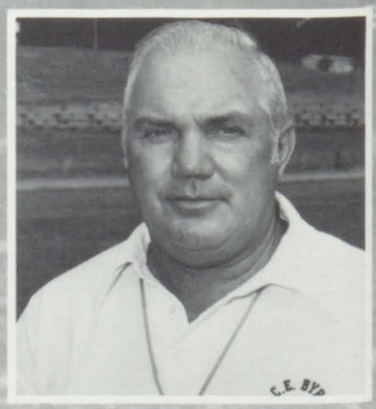




SPORTS

FOOTBALL

The 1976 football schedule was a tough one. The opposition included four playoff bound teams, two of which progressed to the state finals. The scores of a few games unfortunately reflected this fact. Still, the Yellow Jackets' season included some highlights. A thrilling homecoming victory was the greatest Byrd accomplishment during the season. Each member of this 1976 team can look back on this year without regret because of the pride shown by each team member in the face of a disappointing 2-7-1 record.



Jimmy Harrison
Head Coach

JACKETS Ended With 2-7-1 Season

The 1976 football coaches were: FRONT ROW: Earle Belle, Jimmy Harrison, Charles Thrash. BACK ROW: Larry Kahlden, Ronnie Baylor, Tom Cathey.

BYRD	14	Natchitoches	20
BYRD	0	Ruston	0
BYRD	0	Fair Park	33
BYRD	14	Huntington	13
BYRD	10	Parkway	6
BYRD	20	Southwood	46
BYRD	0	Woodlawn	21
BYRD	0	Jesuit	35
BYRD	6	B. T. Washington	30
BYRD	0	Captain Shreve	26

Jackie Mays followed the cheerleaders through the spirit hoop.

Chappelle Henderson was pushed out of bounds after his reception.

Alphonso Williams followed Calvin Gillins upfield.

Fourteen LETTERMEN Returned

Jackie Mays displayed the ball he had just intercepted.

Lance Rist and Chappelle Henderson took a breather before returning to the game.

FRONT ROW: John Berton, Mark Leonard, Bill Ogelsby, Greg Thilking, Scott Holtby, Ricky Byers, Billy Boswell, Bentley Brister, Tom Bowdwin, Lee Morgan, Bart Lester. SECOND ROW: Vince Fulco, Craig Gilliam, Bon Bailey, Jim Moss, Philip Smith, Eric Latson, Jackie Mays, Carl Clark, Carrenza Johns, Scott Petree, Richard Ingram. THIRD ROW: Byron Trust, Richard Nelson, Corry Wafer, Joe Richardson, Lance Rist, Charles Hanna, Mike Gras, Billy Roussel, Charles Robinson, John Dornbusch, Tommy Hunter. FOURTH ROW: Mike Turner, Tom Bittick, David Bolton, Darien Lester, Wynn Hutto, Robert Bolin, Chappelle Henderson, Steve Anderson, Ronald Cooper.

Trainers Kept Players Going

Football trainers were Craig Atkins and Tom McLeod.

The Jacket defense lined up to stop Southwood.

The football manager was Frank Hendrick.

The scoreboard showed the feelings of the Jackets after Homecoming.

Scott Petree and Bentley Brister awaited the coin toss.

The players boarded their transportation to the Natchitoches game.

Jackets Dropped Opener

BYRD 14 NATCHITOCHES 20

The Yellow Jackets, who entered their first game of the season unsure of what type of team they would be, put up a good battle before surrendering to the Natchitoches Chiefs 20-14. Fighting a bad case of the fumbles, the Jackets fell two touchdowns behind before they got on track. With time running out in the first half, now 20 points behind, the Jackets finally got on the scoreboard as Mark Leonard moved the Byrd offense 67 yards on two passes to Jackie Mays to the Chief 18-yard line. The drive culminated in a 16-yard scoring toss from Leonard to Billy Boswell. The Yellow Jacket defense stiffened in the second half, holding the Chiefs scoreless. Early in the fourth quarter the Jackets mounted another long drive, bringing Byrd to within six points as Bentley Brister grabbed an 11-yard pass from Leonard for another touchdown. The Jackets had one last shot as Calvin Moore's running brought the ball to the Chief 29-yard line, but that hope was fumbled away with 34 seconds left to play.

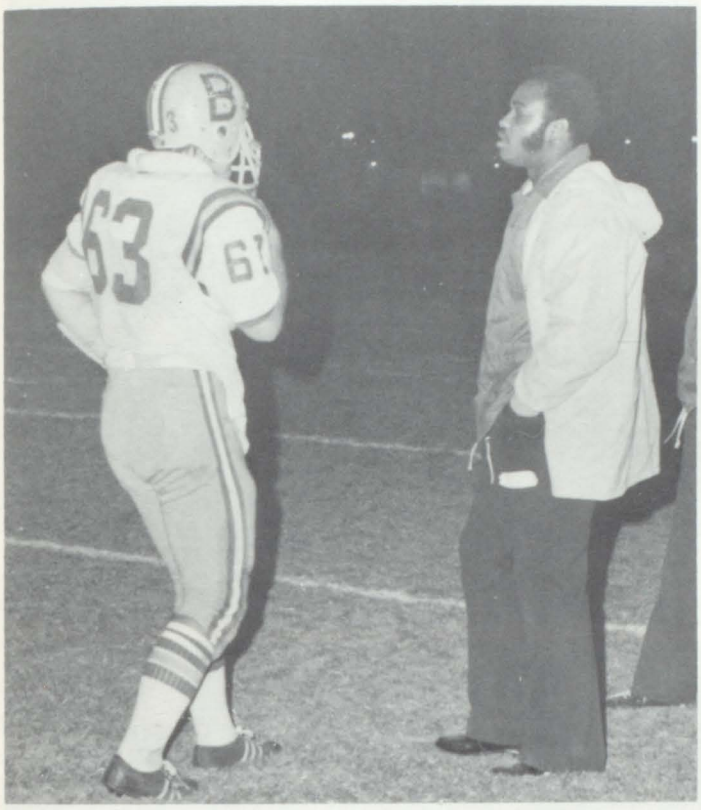
BYRD 0 RUSTON 0

With three inches of rain falling before the kickoff, the Jackets and the Bearkats, rated second in the state, battled through the mud to a scoreless tie. The only scoring opportunity belonged to Byrd on a drive to the Ruston 8-yard line, highlighted by a 26-yard pass from Mark Leonard to Bentley Brister. The Jacket offense then stalled for three plays and on fourth down Joe Richardson entered the game to attempt an 18-yard field goal, but poor footing on the muddy field caused the kick to sail just to the right of the uprights. Calvin Moore later threatened to score when he broke loose on a 39-yard draw play, but again the slow field allowed the Bearkats to catch and bring down the sprinter, ending the final scoring threat of the game. A fine effort by the Jacket defense kept Ruston from penetrating the Byrd 20-yard line to keep the final score 0-0.

Calvin Moore ran downfield behind the blocking of Craig Gilliam.

Scott Petree got set as the Nachitoches running back attempted to regain his footing.

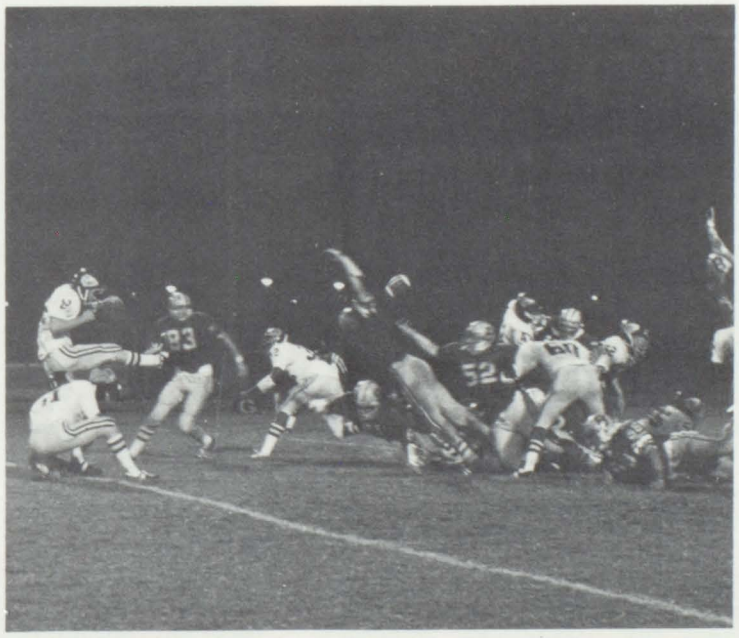
Jackets Slid to Standoff



Lance Rist discussed defensive strategy with coach Charles Thrash during a timeout.

Craig Gilliam was dropped just short of the Panther goal line.

Mike Turner, shaking a Southwood defender, rambled upfield.

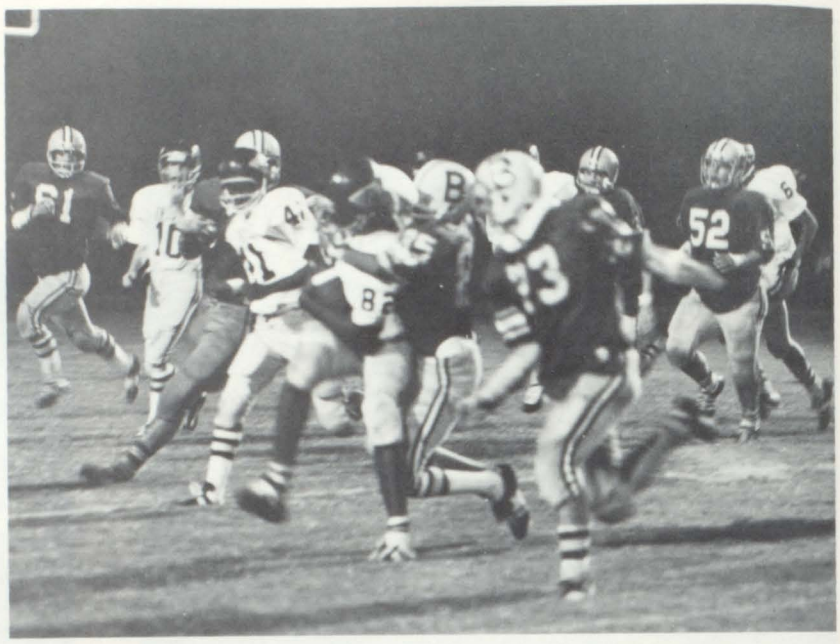


Robert Bolin got an arm on an attempted Indian field goal.

Indians Overpowered Byrd

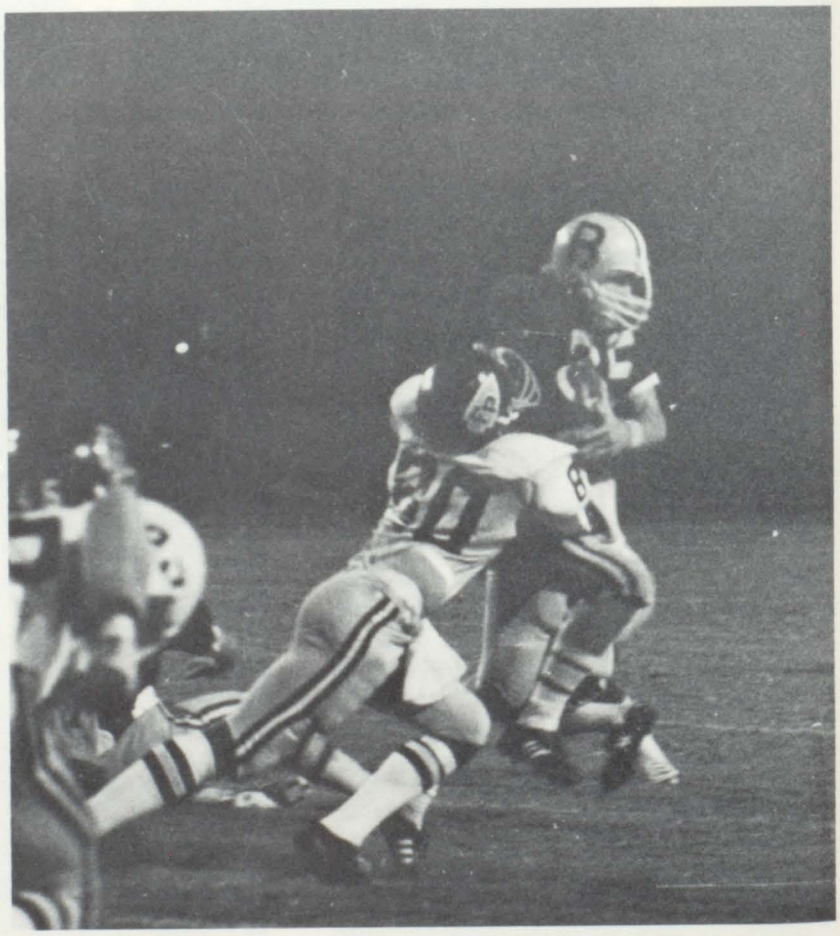
BYRD 0 FAIR PARK 33

Although the score was 33-0 in favor of Fair Park, this game could have been a much closer one. Byrd was unable to spark its team to its full potential behind the quarterbacking of Mark Leonard, who threw for only 53 yards on the night. The Jackets' main problem was ball control. They fumbled three times in key situations. One bright spot in the game was the brilliant linebacking of Mike Turner, who was named defensive player of the week. Mike lead the defense throughout the game and helped it keep its stamina even in a losing cause. Early in the game, Alphonso Williams intercepted an Indian halfback pass, giving Byrd the ball in good field position, but Byrd was unable to move the ball on the tough Indian defense. Fair Park used big plays to leap out ahead by 13 points at the half. This was the first district game for the Jackets and the loss dropped Byrd to 0-2-1 for the season.



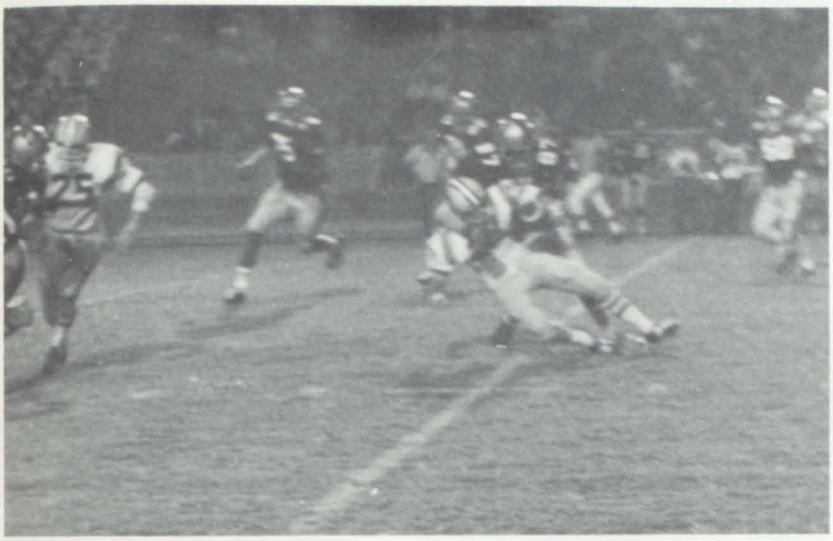
Chappelle Henderson and Tom Bittick ruined a Fair Park screen pass.

Jackie Mays ran to daylight behind Billy Boswell's block.



Bentley Brister struggled to penetrate the Indian defense.

Brister Sparked Jackets



Billy Boswell was taken down after hauling in one of his catches.

Bentley Brister gathered in the winning touchdown pass.

BYRD 14 HUNTINGTON 13

Byrd celebrated their homecoming in fine fashion as they defeated the Huntington Raiders 14-13 at Captain Shreve Stadium. Both of the Jacket touchdowns went through the air to Bentley Brister from Mark Leonard, using the shotgun formation. Huntington had several scoring opportunities, but the Jacket defense, led by Craig Gilliam and Brister, each with a key interception, remained tough and stopped the opposition's drives. The Raiders dominated the first half, scoring two touchdowns, but failed to tack on their second extra point. Byrd's first score came on a 23-yard pass from Leonard to Brister. The extra point was added by Joe Richardson. The Jackets' final touchdown was highlighted by a 67-yard drive, including passes to Billy Boswell and Jackie Mays. The score came on another Leonard to Brister pass. These points coming late in the fourth quarter, brought the score to 13-all. Richardson's point after boot then split the uprights, giving the Jackets the lead for the first time in the ball game. The Jackets held on for the victory, their first win.

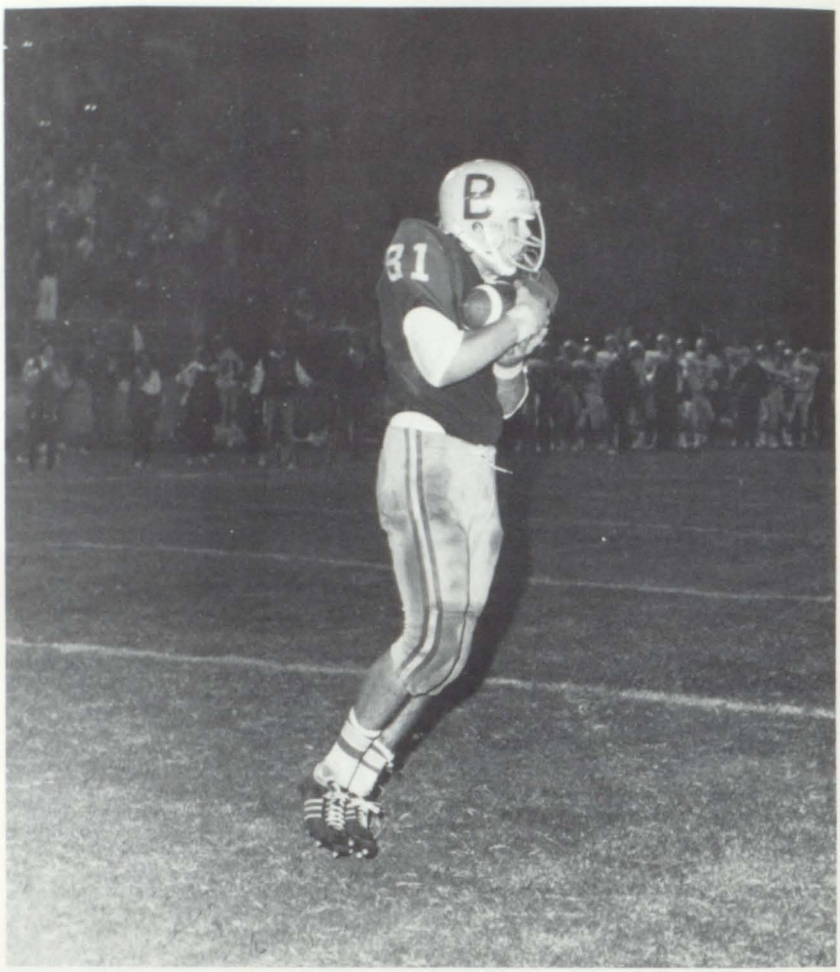
Mike Turner and Jackie Mays cracked down on a Huntington runner.

Jackie Mays was tackled after intercepting a Raider pass.

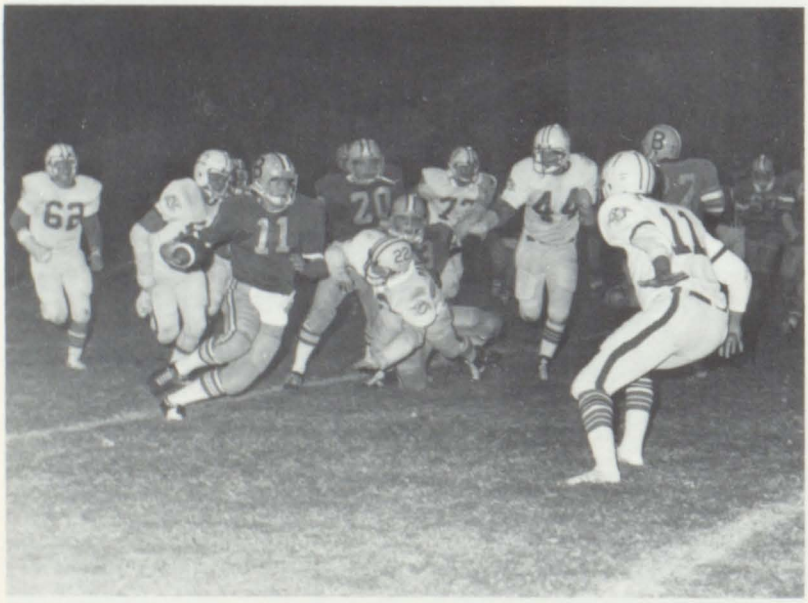
Byrd Upset Panthers

BYRD 10 PARKWAY 6

Byrd came into this game with a 1-2-1 record. Anxious to win this game to better their season record, the Jackets were prepared. The Byrd Yellow Jackets got on the board first by driving 81 yards to the Parkway 15, with the help of some fine offensive line blocking. Joe Richardson then kicked a 30-yard field goal to put the Jackets in the lead. Parkway's offense could not penetrate the fired up defense of the Jackets. The outstanding defensive play was headed by Mike Turner and Billy Roussel. With 4:30 left on the clock, behind 6-3, the Jackets received a punt on their own 16 yard line. They then drove 85 yards to the Panther 1 yard line, led by the running of Craig Gilliam with 71 yards for the night. Mark Leonard passed to Turner to give the Jackets the lead with 27 seconds left in the game. Joe Richardson added the extra point, bringing the score to 10-6. The time ran out on the Parkway Panthers as the Jackets won their second game in a row, raising their record to 2-2-1.



Mike Turner cradled the ball as he caught the winning touchdown pass.



Mark Leonard rolled to the outside, eluding Panther tacklers.

Jackie Mays pulled down a toss good for 27 yards.

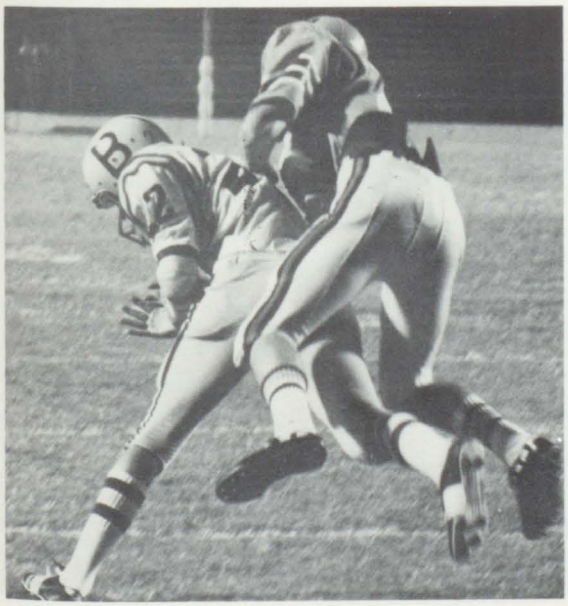
Cowboys Gunned Down Jackets

Calvin Gillims, after running for a few yards, was dragged down from behind by a Southwood defender.

Scott Holtby took a screen pass from Mark Leonard and had a clear field ahead.

BYRD 20 SOUTHWOOD 46

Trying for their third win in a row and still hoping for a playoff berth, the Yellow Jackets gave their best offensive effort, but could not slow the overpowering Cowboy offense. Playing catch up football most of the way, Byrd began their scoring with a 58-yard scoring drive midway through the second quarter, capped by Jackie Mays' 5-yard touchdown run. Then in the third quarter, trailing 27-7, the Jackets drove 79 yards for another touchdown when quarterback Mark Leonard hit Billy Boswell with a 9-yard scoring strike to come within two touchdowns of the playoff bound Cowboys. Southwood broke away in the fourth quarter, scoring 19 points on a tired defense which had played most of the night. With less than four minutes left, the never-say-die Jacket offense came back with too little too late as Leonard passed 16 yards to Bentley Brister for his second scoring toss of the night. The loss put Byrd's record at 1-2 in district and 2-3-1 overall.



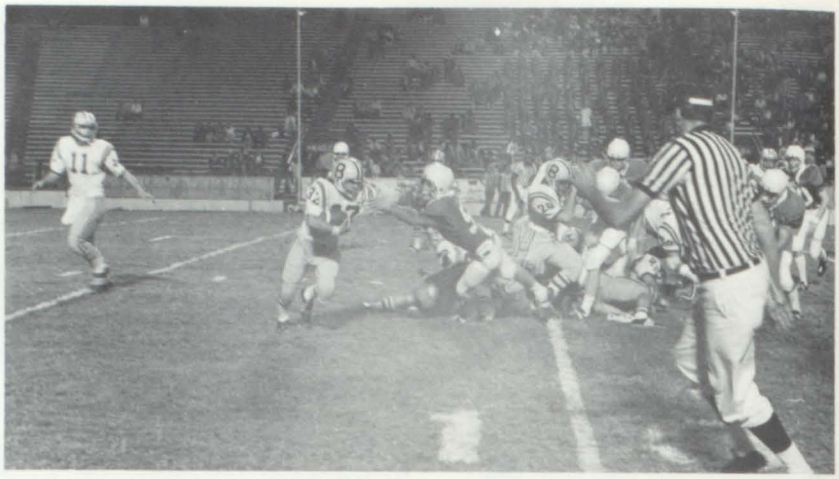
Billy Boswell after pulling in a pass was brought down by a Southwood defender.

Mark Leonard, dropping back to pass, looked downfield for a would-be receiver.

Jackets Fell Short of Woodlawn

BYRD 0 WOODLAWN 21

The Byrd High Yellow Jackets suffered an important district defeat to the Woodlawn Knights. All hopes for the playoffs were lost as the crucial game dropped their district record to 1-3. This was Byrd's second straight game against a playoff bound team. Woodlawn received the opening kickoff. Unable to run with the ball against the Jackets' line, Woodlawn began to pass. Blitzing from his linebacking position, Lance Rist sacked quarterback Rodney Poland for a sizeable loss. The play resulted with Byrd in possession of the ball, but the Jackets were forced to punt. After a scoreless first quarter, the Knights came back to put 14 points on the board by the half. Although the Jacket defense remained poised, Woodlawn added one more touchdown to put the game out of reach. The Jacket offense generated two long second half drives, only to be stopped deep into Knights' territory. Vince Fulco, Senior Fullback who lettered in his junior year, led Jacket rushers while Mike Turner pulled down three passes. The loss dropped the Jacket record to 2-4-1.



Vince Fulco, led by Scott Holtby, turned the corner to gain valuable yardage.

Tommy Hunter leaped to block the extra point against Woodlawn Knights.

Bentley Brister stiff-armed for yardage at Captain Shreve Stadium.

Chappelle Henderson stopped a Knight receiver after a pass reception.

Jackets Fell to Flyers

Alphonso Williams took a kickoff from the Jesuit Flyers and returned it for a few good yards.

BYRD 0 JESUIT 35

The lack of numbers hurt the Jackets desperately. Jesuit's unbeaten, untied team had complete control on the field the whole first half because of Jacket turnovers. The second half the Jackets came out fired up and ready to go holding the Jesuit Flyers scoreless. The Jackets' offense drove 53 yards to the 1 foot line where Mark Leonard was stopped. Byrd's defense was like a wall. Jesuit could not penetrate on the powerful defense of Byrd. The highlight of the second half came when in the fourth quarter on the fifty yard line Alphonso Williams intercepted a pass deflected by Craig Gilliam. The loss hurt Byrd's morale greatly as Jesuit's state champion team gave the Jackets little opportunity to come back.

Captains for the Jesuit game were Vince Fulco and Charles Robinson.

Vince Fulco burst through the Jacket hoop.

Lions Upset Jackets

BYRD 6 B. T. WASHINGTON 30

The Byrd Yellow Jackets came out fighting in the first half of this, the last district game. Battling to a scoreless first quarter, the Jackets momentarily weakened, allowed BTW to gain the lead. The Lions moved into scoring position after a mishandled punt and two penalities put the ball on the 6-yard line. This resulted in a 6-yard touchdown. The Jackets defense was still fired up under the leadership of Lance Rist, who dumped BTW's quarterback on a crucial pass play for a 12-yard loss. This forced the Lions to punt. The Jackets then hit two key passes from Mark Leonard to Bentley Brister, taking them to the 30-yard line to set up the score. Leonard then threw to Mike Turner for a 30-yard scoring play. The extra point conversion was blocked so the Jackets went into the half behind 7-6. In the second half the breaks went for BTW. The Jackets fought to the end, but the Lions exploded for 15 points in the final period, putting the game in the hands of BTW. Breaking the back of the Byrd effort were two Lion interceptions returned for long touchdowns. The game gave Byrd a final district record of 1-4.

Billy Boswell scampered out of bounds at the Lion 30-yard line.

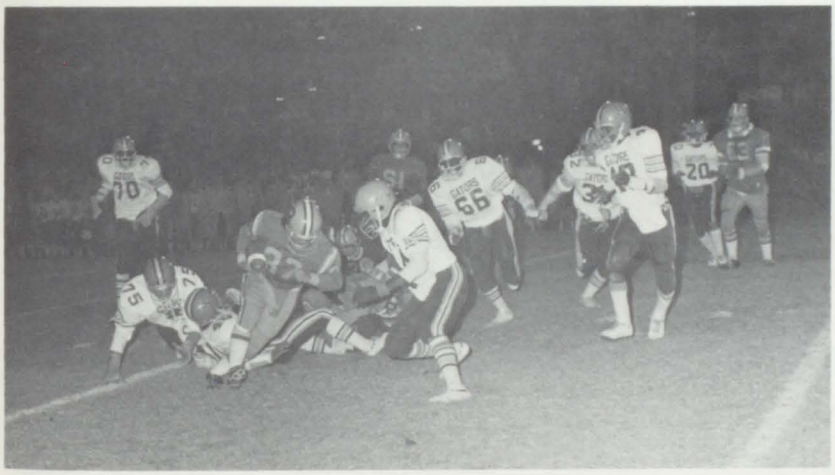
Mike Turner raced across the goal line with another Byrd touchdown.

Calvin Gillins brought a BTW kickoff out of the end zone.

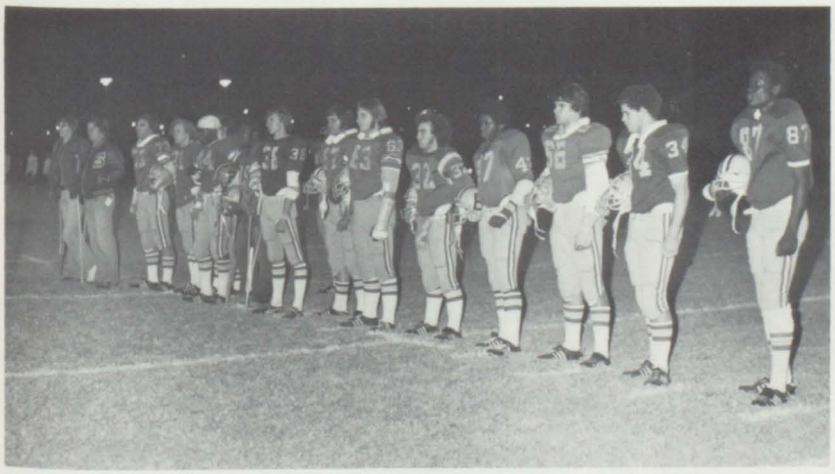
Joe Richardson and Bentley Brister threw a Lion for a loss.

Jackets Fought to Finish

Mark Leonard swept around right end, led by the blocking of Vince Fulco for a good gain.



Vince Fulco found a small hole in the Captain Shreve defensive line.



All Seniors lined up on the field to await the coin toss in their final game.

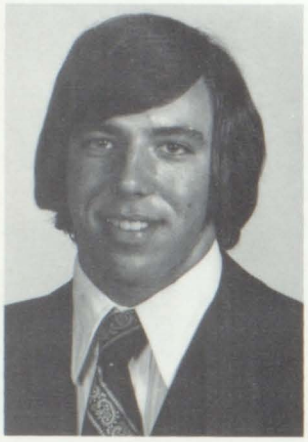
BYRD 0 CAPT. SHREVE 26

After holding Captain Shreve at bay with a strong first half, the Jackets fell to the big play offense of the Gators by a 26-0 score. The Jackets took the opening kickoff and drove from their own 25-yard line down to the Captain Shreve 28, taking up nearly the whole first quarter, before fumbling the ball away. The only Gator touchdown in the first half was set up by an interception deep in Jacket territory. At halftime, the Yellow Jackets held a 131-65 edge in total yardage. Though Byrd fell behind on two long Shreve touchdown passes, they put up a good fight.

The Jacket offense held an edge in offensive plays and ground out 132 rushing yards, led by Craig Gilliam with 68. Mark Leonard surpassed the 1000-yard mark for the year in passing. The loss brought Byrd's final record to 2-7-1.

Mark Leonard, back to punt, really put his foot into it.

Letters Honored Seniors' Achievements



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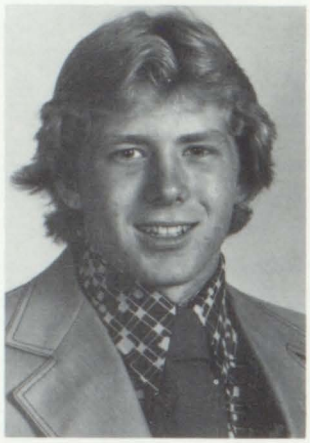

Bentley Brister
Split End
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Carl Clark
Corner Back
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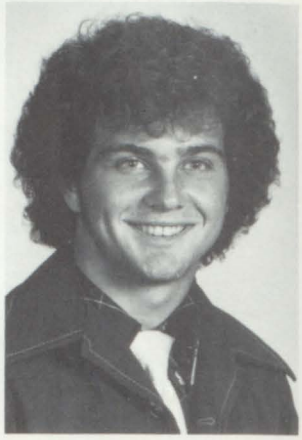

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Running Back
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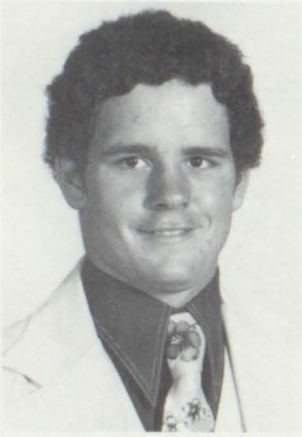

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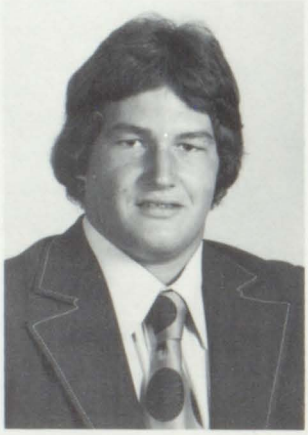

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Defensive Tackle
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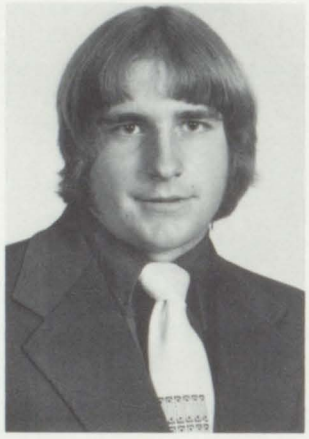

Lance Rist
Guard - Linebacker
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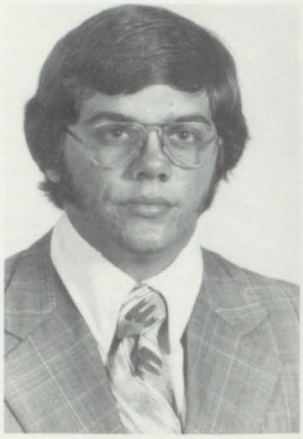

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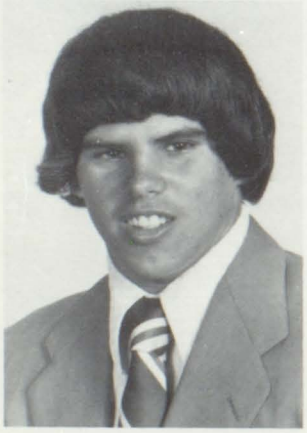

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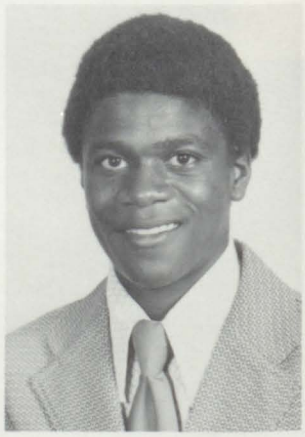

Jackie Mays
Safety
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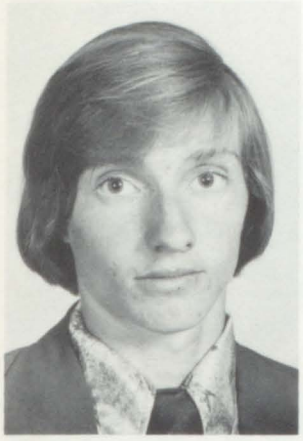
Jacket Juniors Contributed Much



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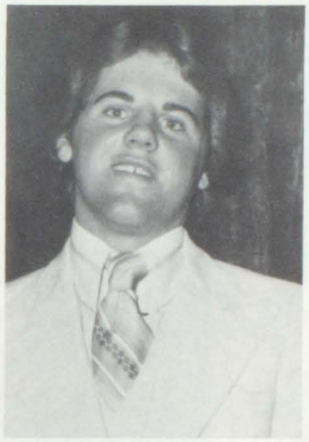

Scott Holtby
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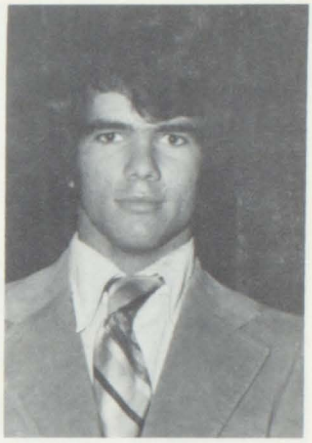

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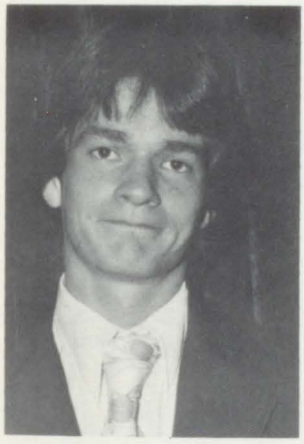

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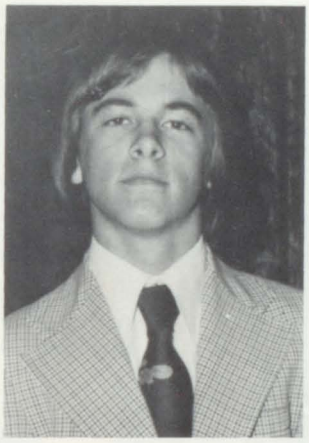

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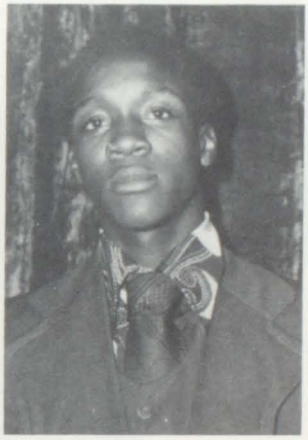

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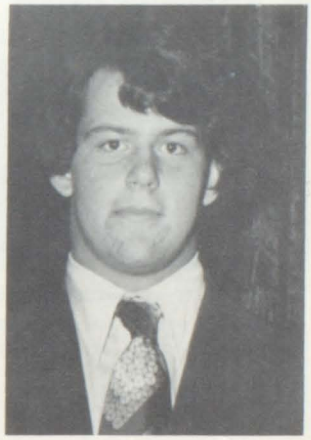

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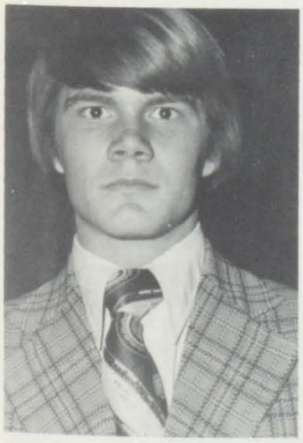

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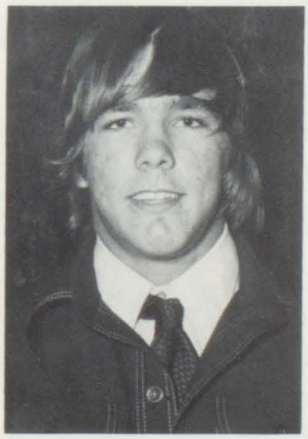

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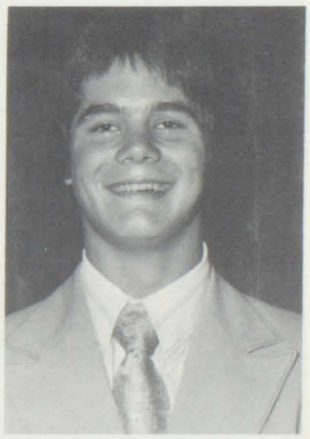

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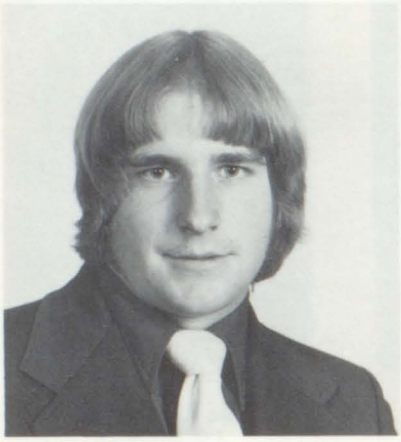
Athletes Were Honored for Achievements



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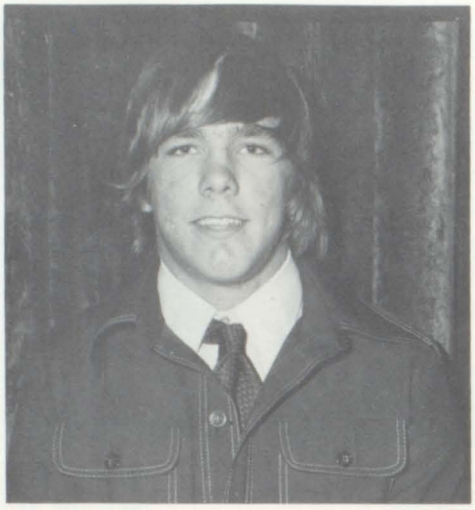
Outstanding Offensive Lineman
Scholastic Award
All-District, All-City



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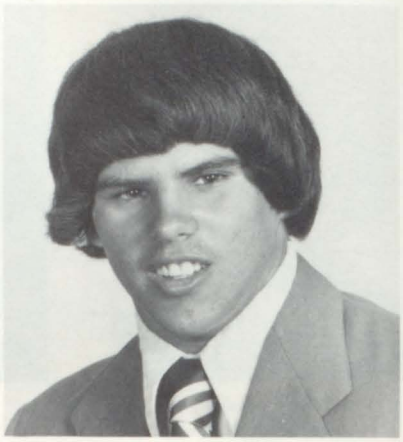
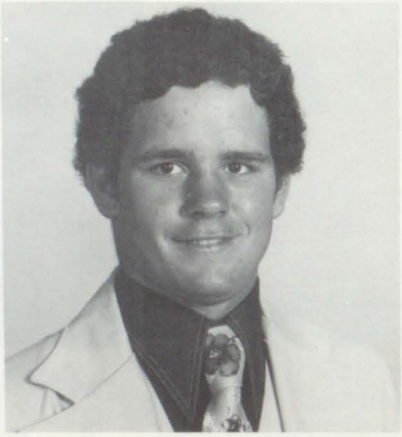


Billy Roussel
Team Captain
Outstanding Defensive Lineman
Second Team All-District



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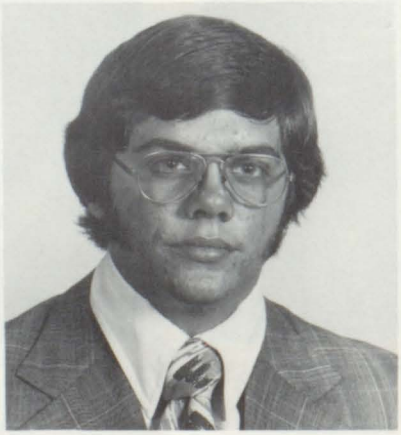
Team Captain
Second Team All-District

Bentley Brister
Team Captain
Second Team All-District



Charles Robinson
Outstanding Offensive Lineman

Calvin Moore
Outstanding Offensive Back

Jayvees Built Football Skills

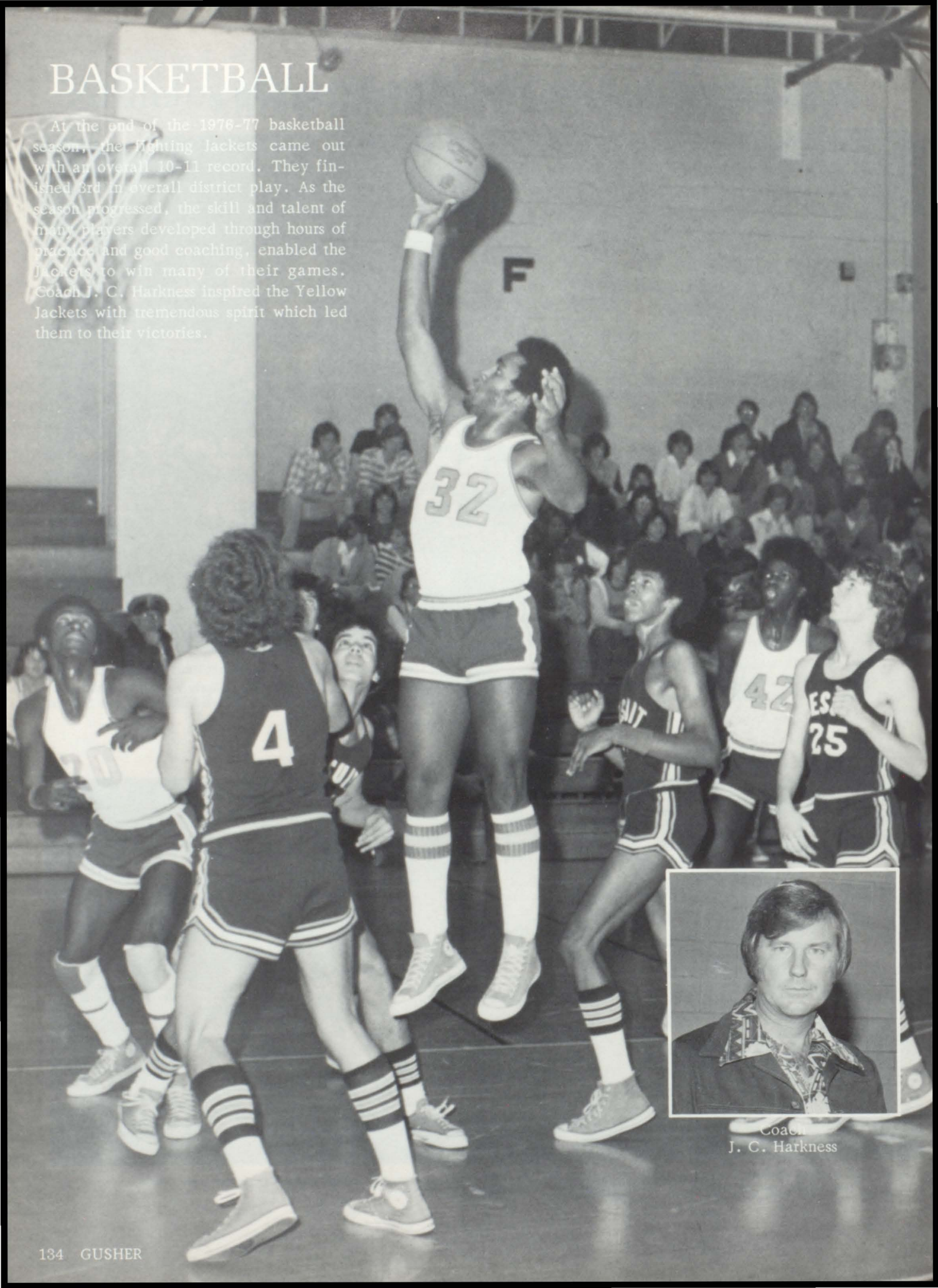
Members of the 1976 B team were: FRONT ROW: John Berton, Mark Leonard, Bill Ogelsby, Jeff Thilking, Scott Holtby, Billy Boswell, Tom Boudoin, Lee Morgan. SECOND ROW: Bon Bailey, Bart Lester, Philip Smith, Eric Latson, Byron Trust, Richard Nelson, Corry Wafer, Joe Richardson, Charles Hanna. THIRD ROW: Mike Gras, John Dornbusch, Mike Turner, David Bolton, Darien Lester, Wynn Hutto, Robert Bolin, Chappelle Henderson, Ronald Cooper.

Mark Leonard dropped behind his offensive line, looking for receivers.

Quarterback Bill Oglesby called the signals to the offensive formation.

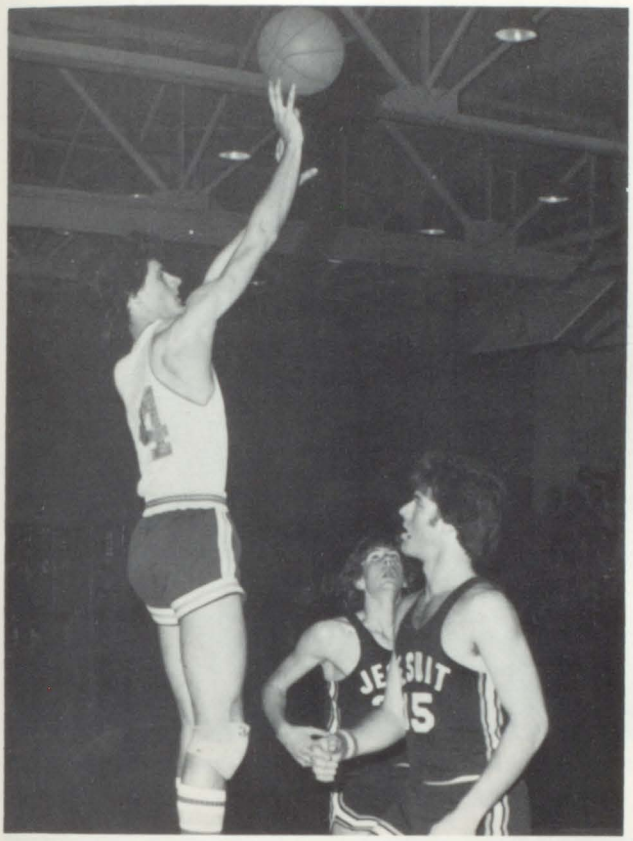
BASKETBALL

At the end of the 1976-77 basketball season, the Fighting Jackets came out with an overall 10-11 record. They finished 3rd in overall district play. As the season progressed, the skill and talent of many players developed through hours of practice and good coaching, enabled the Jackets to win many of their games. Coach J. C. Harkness inspired the Yellow Jackets with tremendous spirit which led them to their victories.



Coach
J. C. Harkness

Jackets Fought Hard in District



Robert Wisby made a successful jump shot during the Jesuit game.

BYRD	--71	Captain Shreve---------60
BYRD	--58	Parkway ----------66
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BYRD	--40	Ruston ----------72
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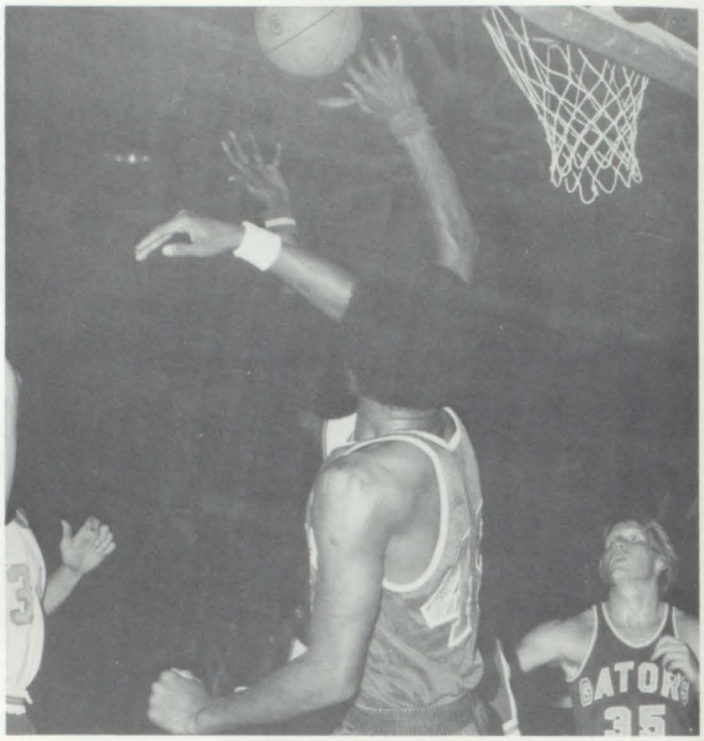
Members of the 1976-77 Varsity team were: KNEELING: Coach Johnny Harkness and Perry Powell. STANDING: Robert Reddix, Robert Wisby, Dan Sandifer, Terry Woods, Anthony Lott, Gene Hubble, Melvin Lacour, Keith Carter, Randolph banks, Billy Ford, and Calvin Gillins.

Jackets Downed

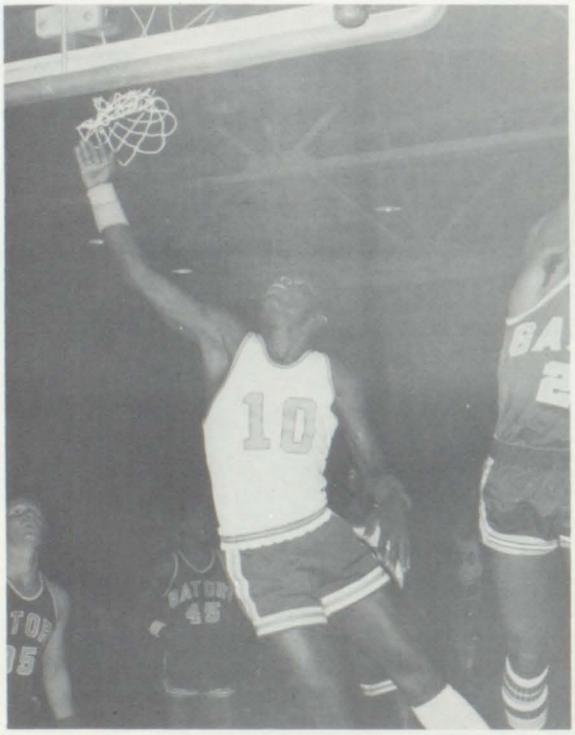
BYRD	71	CAPTAIN SHREVE	60
BYRD	73	CAPTAIN SHREVE	69

Byrd faced their arch rivals, the Gators from Captain Shreve, and both times the Jackets were victorious. In the Yellow Jacket's first game of the season, Byrd was led by a strong offensive attack, supported by Terry Woods with 15 points and Anthony Lott with an additional 12 points. The game was close during the first three quarters but the Jackets proved too much for their rivals and won going away in the last quarter.

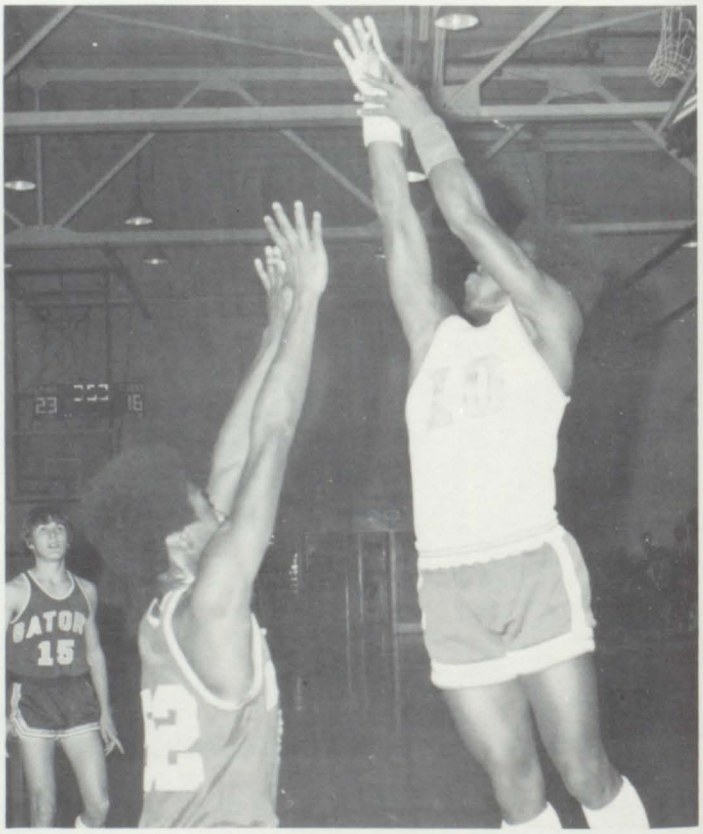
In their second meeting of the season, Byrd again came out on top in a thriller in the Byrd gym. The Yellow Jackets fought hard to keep the game theirs. They kept the lead during the third quarter and went on to win by two points. Perry Powell again had a fine game against the Gators with 22 points, while Anthony Lott also had a terrific game making 20 points.



Terry Woods went up for the rebound during the second quarter.

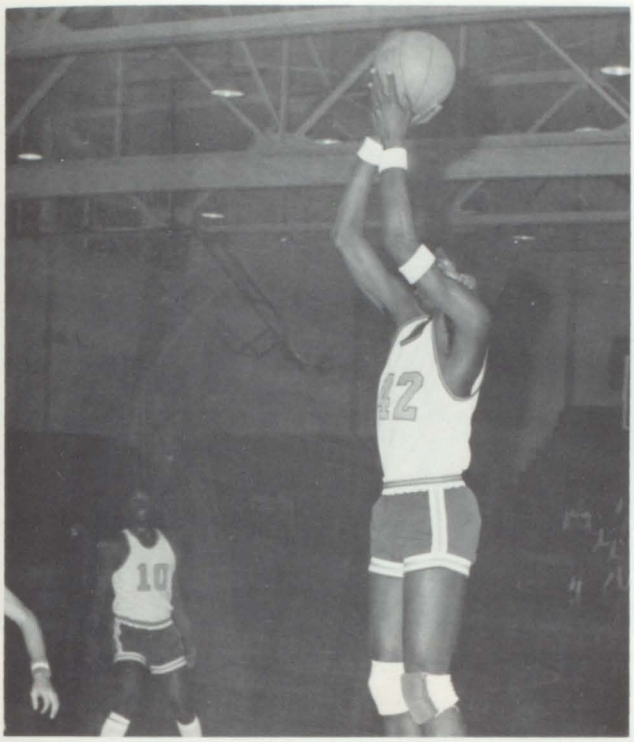


Perry Powell jumped up to put in an easy lay up.



Perry Powell attempted to make an extra two points.

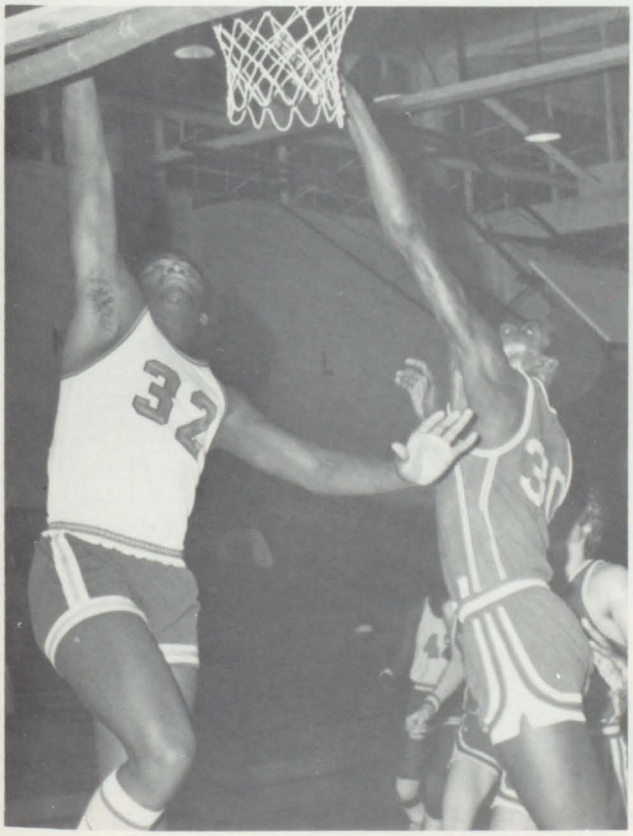
Shreve Twice



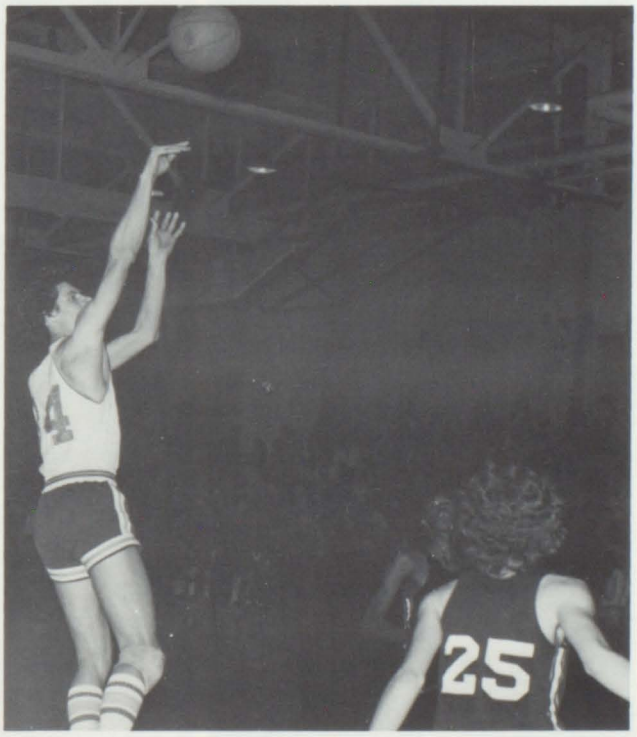
After receiving a pass from Perry Powell, Anthony Lott shot for an easy two points.

BYRD	54	MINDEN	61
BYRD	50	MINDEN	89

Byrd's first meeting with Minden proved to be an exciting one. Minden, ranked one of the top teams in the state, came to Byrd and met a well-prepared Yellow Jacket team. Even though Minden went ahead late in the game, the Jackets showed they could compete with the top teams of the state. Byrd, throughout the game, showed great defense by keeping up with their opponents. Byrd was led by Anthony Lott's 22 points, while Terry Woods and Perry Powell scored 11 points each.



Terry Woods put in two points against a Minden defender.



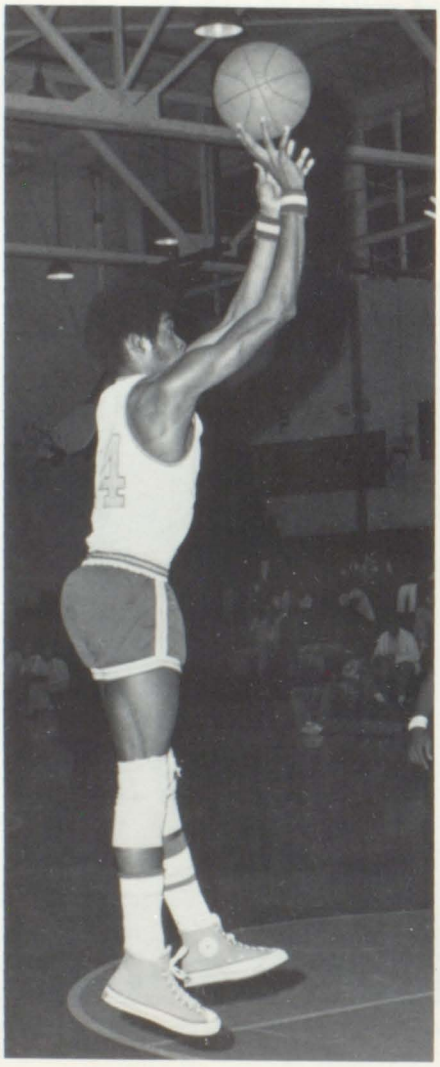
Robert Wisby sunk two from the inside of the key.

Jackets Started

BYRD 58 PARKWAY 66

In their only match of the season, the Jackets could not equal Parkway and went down in defeat for the first time of the season. Byrd matched the Panthers almost point for point until the third quarter, when the Panthers jumped to a 13-point lead. The Jackets showed a balanced scoring game with three starters hitting double figures, led by Terry Woods' 18 points, and followed by Anthony Lott's and Perry Powell's 13 and 12 points respectively.

Coach Johnny Harkness encouraged players during time out.



Randolph Banks shot from the key against Parkway.

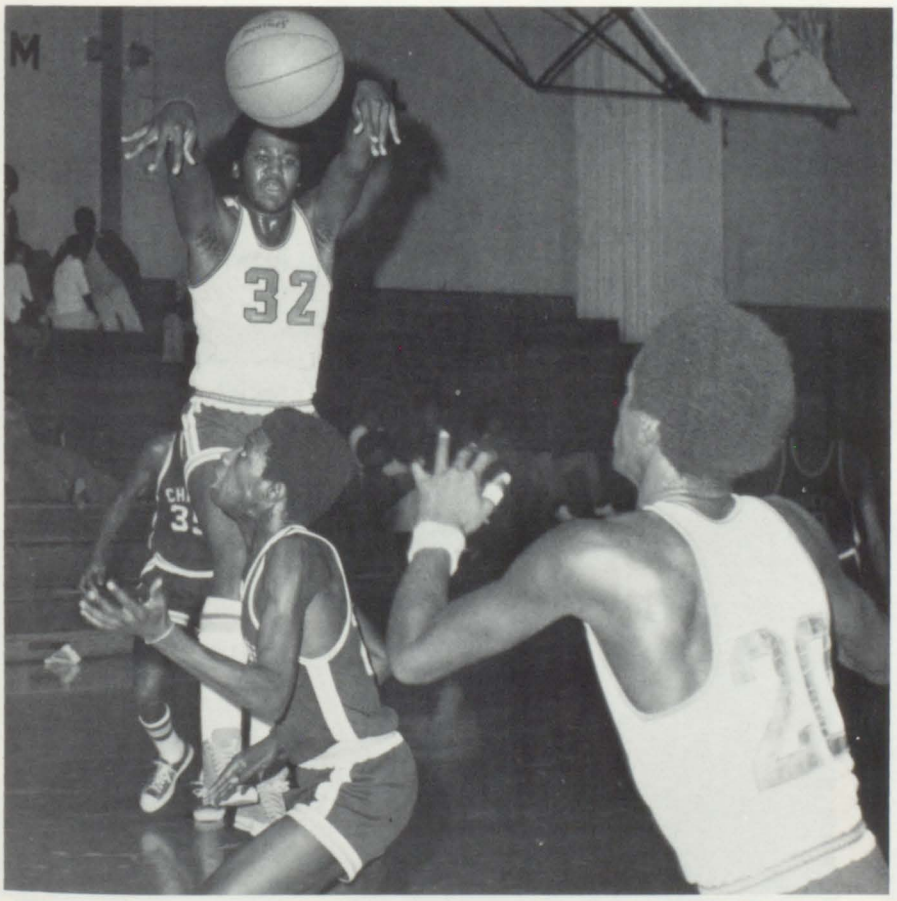
Trapped between two Parkway defenders, Anthony Lott made a basket.

Season Slowly

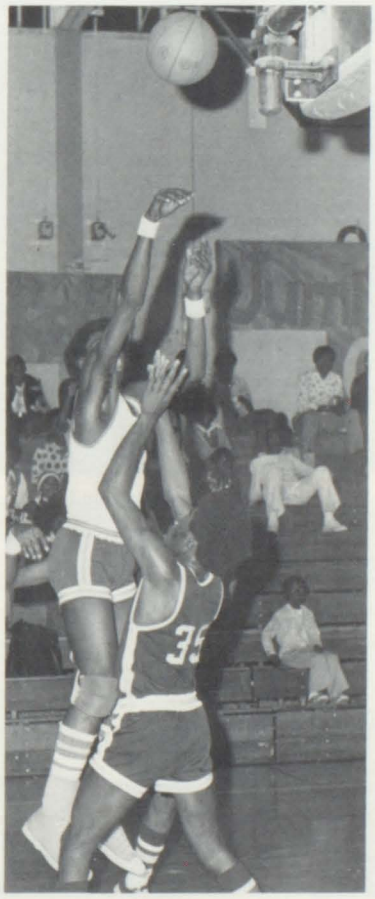
Anthony Lott leaped high to shoot a jump shot from the outside.

BYRD 68 NATCHITOCHES 69

This loss at the hands of Natchitoches team proved to be an exciting game played at the Jackets home court. Trailing by as much as 14 points at the end of the half, the Jackets did not lose their pride, fighting desperately until they had pulled themselves within 3 points of their opponents. Losing by only one point, the Jackets showed that they were strong and would never give up in a game until the final buzzer. Byrd regained Terry Woods and Anthony Lott, and both came up with 17 points. Again Perry Powell could not be stopped as he popped in 20 points.



Terry Woods spotted Keith Carter in the open for an easy lay-up.



Anthony Lott out stretched a Natchitoches defender for a jump shot.

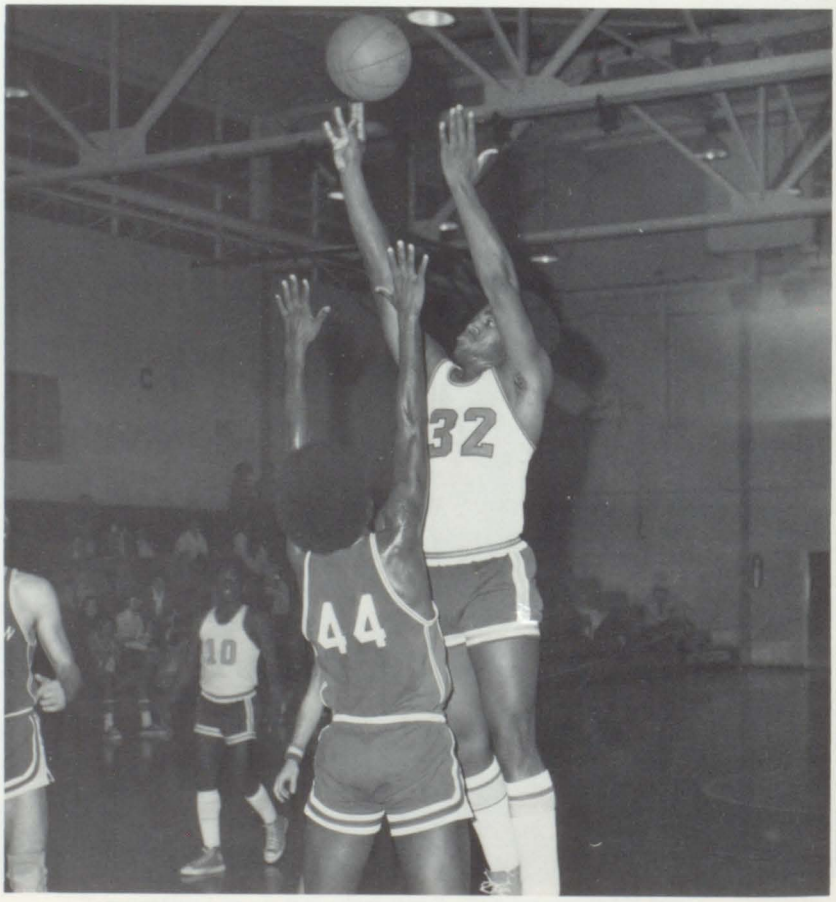
Young Jackets

BYRD 40 RUSTON 72

Byrd's offense faltered on this night, scoring the lowest point total of the season. Terry Woods was the only Jacket that was successful in reaching double-figures by making 18 points. Perry Powell, Byrd's leading scorer, was stopped cold this night without scoring a single point. One favorable note came out of the game, with substitutes Keith Carter and Melvin LaCour showing outstanding defensive work during the contest.

Robert Wisby shot for two points from the outside.

Billy Ford made an easy lay-up for a basket.



Terry Woods out-jumped a Ruston defender to score a basket.

Showed Potential

The Jackets discussed their plans during a timeout.

BYRD	67	JESUIT	59
BYRD	55	JESUIT	37
BYRD	66	JESUIT	66

Byrd faced the Flyers from Jesuit on three separate occasions, each time coming out on top. Their first meeting at Jesuit was to be the closest, with the Jackets skimming by the Flyers in overtime by a single point. Jesuit led the game until the final minutes when Anthony Lott sank a basket with seconds remaining, tying the game, and sending it into overtime. Byrd's momentum carried the Jackets through overtime enabling them to defeat the Jesuit team.

In their second meeting of the season with Jesuit, a low-scoring game was recorded though the Jackets came out on top winning this one going away. Though a weak offense was shown, the Jackets allowed Jesuit to get only 37 points with strong defensive performances from Randolph Banks and Keith Carter. Byrd was led by Perry Powell with 12 points, Anthony Lott with 11 points, and Terry Woods with 10 points.

In their third meeting of the season, the two teams stayed relatively close, until the last quarter, when Byrd pulled in front to stay. Byrd was led by Terry Woods with a game high of 30 points, while Senior Robert Wisby contributed 13 points.

Anthony Lott shot over a Jesuit defender to add points to the Jackets' scoreboard.

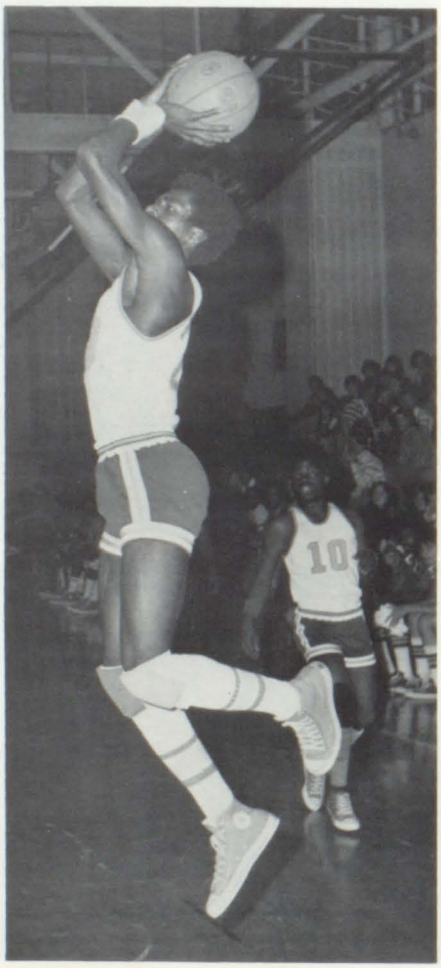
Anthony Lott attempted a jump shot.

Byrd Had Many

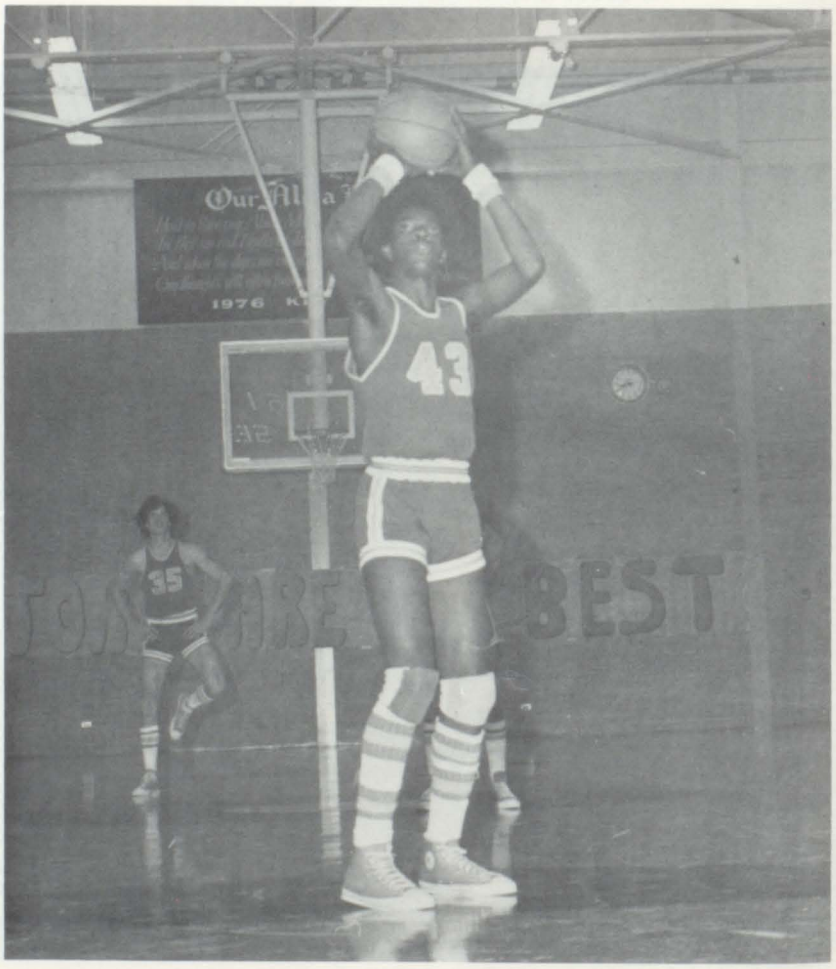
BYRD 53 HAUGHTON 71

In Byrd's last game before district, the Jackets were not overly impressive. Haughton's high scorers continued their ways by out-scoring the Jackets 39-17 in the first half. Byrd was only able to score 4 points in the first quarter. Byrd's high scoring trio was not on target this game with only Woods and Lott reaching double figures in this game. Terry Woods was high scorer with 15 points and 10 rebounds, while Randolph Banks swept the boards with 12 rebounds.

The Jackets retired to the dressing room at halftime.



Keith Carter attempted to shoot from the outside.



Anthony Lott studied his shot as Robert Wisby looked on.

Thrilling Victories

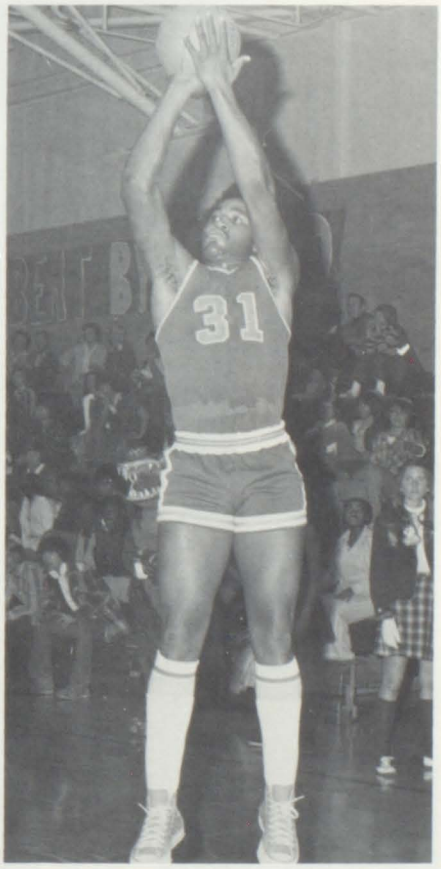
Anthony Lott shot from the top of the key.

BYRD	65	AIRLINE	102
BYRD	81	AIRLINE	58

Byrd and Airline split their series of games this year in an odd way. In their first meeting of the two games, top-ranked Airline ran away with the game by scoring over 100 points. At the end of the first half, Airline had doubled Byrd's score by leading 55-27. And from then on the game was clearly won by Airline. Byrd was led by Terry Woods' 20 points.

In their second meeting, Airline coming into the game heavily favored, found an inspired Jacket team. Instead of Airline taking this game, Byrd shocked Airline by beating them by 23 points. Byrd again was led by the threesome of Terry Woods, Anthony Lott, and Perry Powell, all reaching double figures.

Anthony Lott outbattled an Airline defender for a rebound.



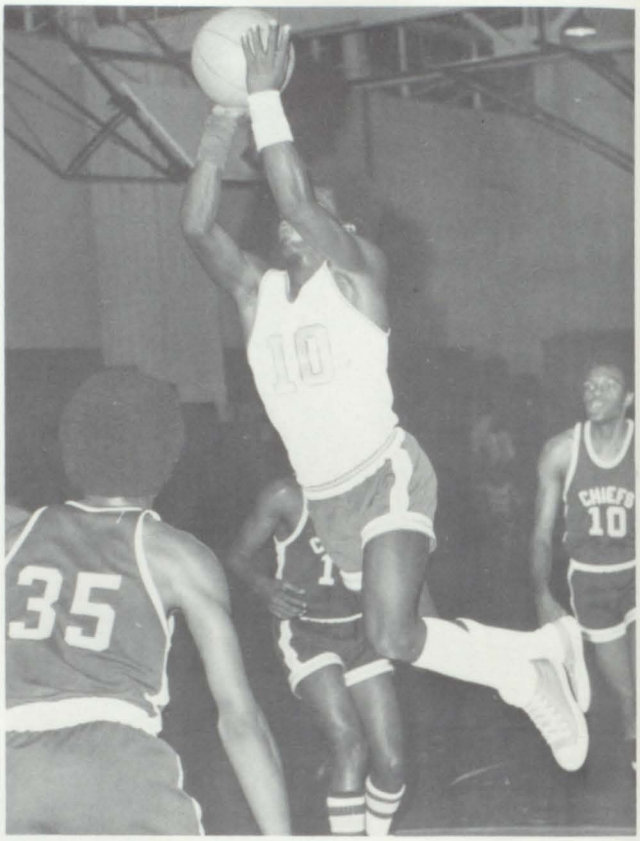
Terry Woods made two points against Airline.

Jackets Opened

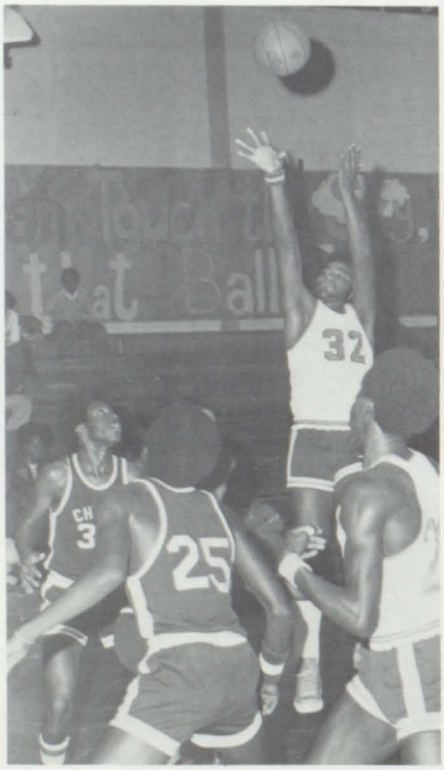
BYRD	73	B.T. WASHINGTON	81
BYRD	65	B.T. WASHINGTON	56

In the roundballers first district game of the 76-77 season, the Jackets traveled to the Lion's den to play the Lions of B.T.W. Things went the Jackets' way until the fourth quarter when the Lions came back from a 12 point deficit, to overcome the Jackets and win by 8 points. Anthony Lott scored a season high 33 points, while Terry Woods contributed 23 points.

Their second meeting of the season, held in the Byrd gym, proved to be a very crucial game for the Jackets, as they had dropped three straight district games. But the Jackets' pride and spirit was too much as they aroused a large home crowd with a well played game. Perry Powell led the offense with 27 points, as Randolph Banks led the defense with 21 rebounds.

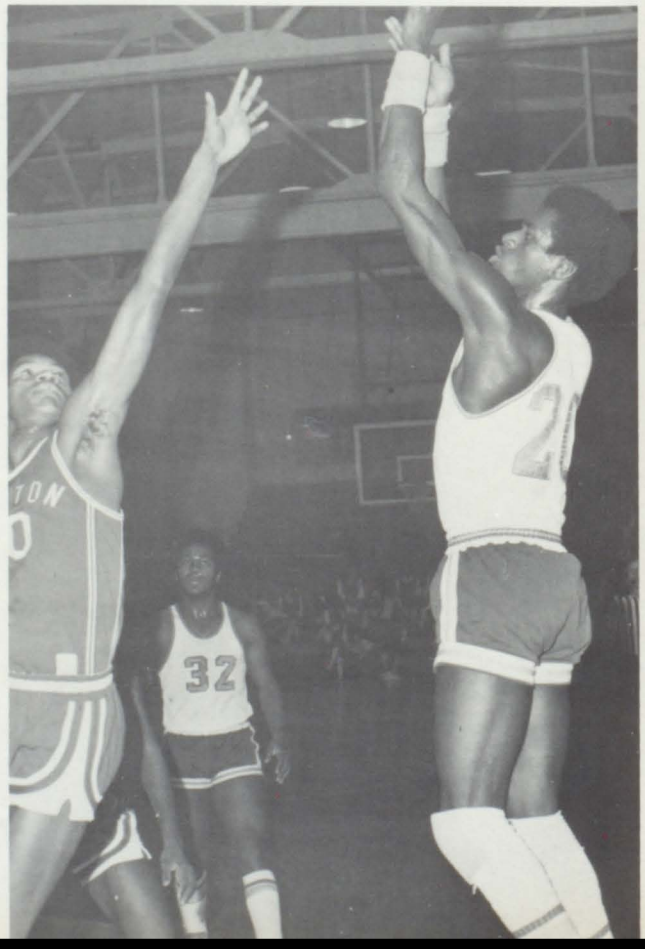


Perry Powell leaped for an easy lay-up.



Terry Woods leaped for a better shot during the B.T.W. game.

At Right: Keith Carter took a jump shot as Terry Woods looked on.



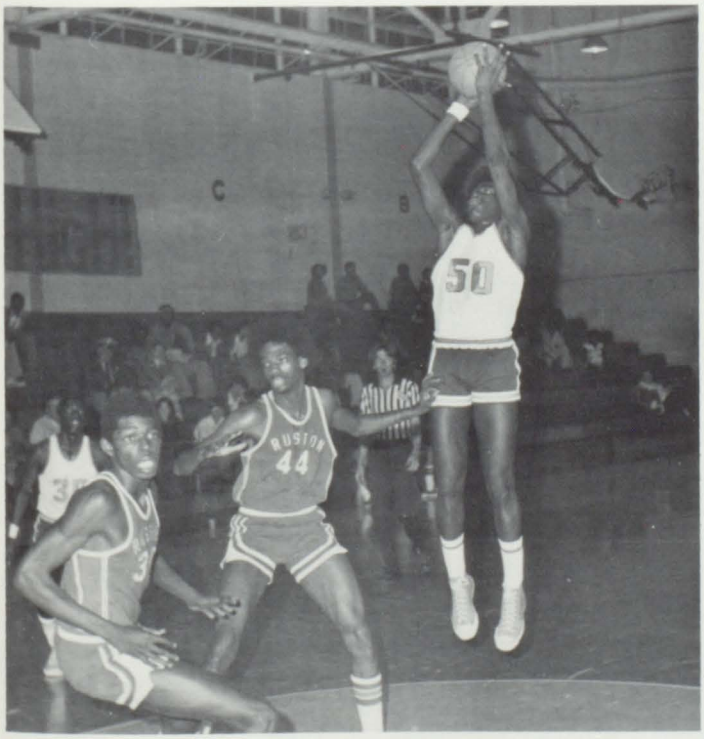
District Successfully

Anthony Lott dunked the ball during the Fair Park game.

BYRD	82	FAIR PARK	80
BYRD	67	FAIR PARK	62

Following an upset at the hands of B.T.W., the roundballers needed to get on the winning track again, and did so against the Indians from Fair Park. Played at the Jackets home court, the teams were evenly matched as they alternated scoring baskets. Things stayed quiet until the fourth quarter, when the whole gym erupted with excitement. After trailing by five points, the Jackets fought back to within two points with seconds remaining. After calling time out, the roundballers carried out Coach Johnny Harkness's orders, as the Jackets passed the ball to Terry Woods just as the buzzer sounded, sending the game into overtime. As the overtime started, the Jackets forced Fair Park into many mistakes and scored six points within ten seconds. Terry Woods and Perry Powell were leading scorers with 29 and 28 points respectively.

In their second meeting, the two teams faced each other in the Indian's gym. After coming off a big win over BTW, the Jackets were ready to play anyone. This game meant very much to the team in keeping their hopes of reaching the State Playoffs alive. Four players reached double figures led by Terry Woods with 17, Anthony Lott with 12, Robert Wisby with 10 and Gene Hubble with 13 points and 18 rebounds.



Melvin Lacour popped in a jump shot, as the defenders rushed for the basket.

Perry Powell dropped in a close shot against Fair Park.

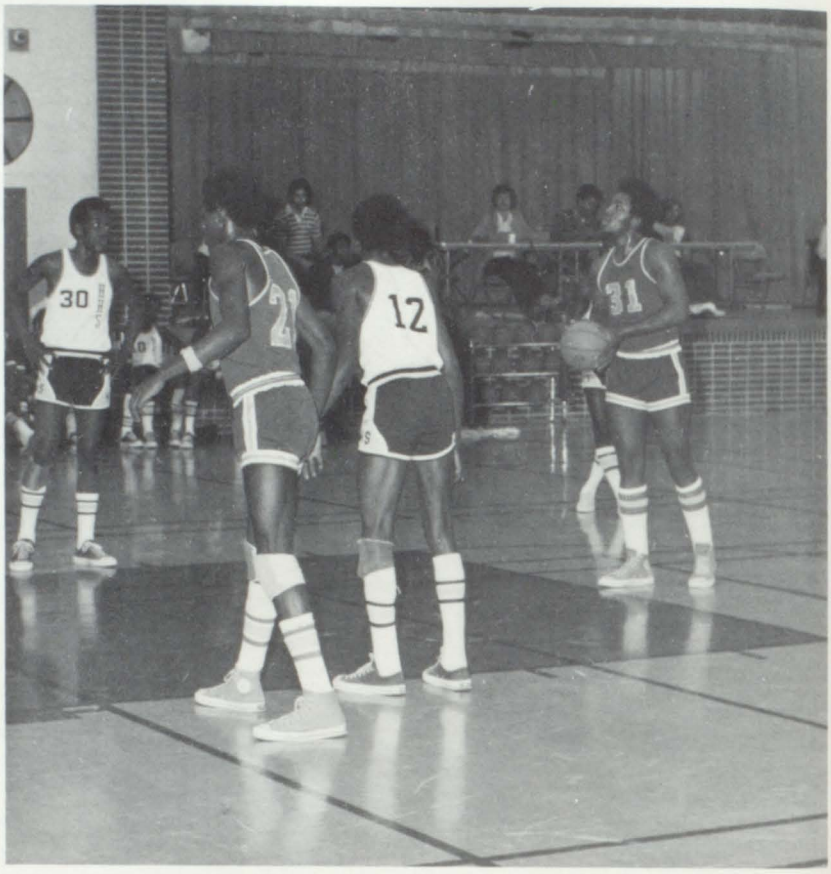
Byrd Had Two

BYRD 76 WOODLAWN 91

In the Jackets third district game of the season, the Knights of Woodlawn came to Byrd with their guns loaded, as five of their players reached double figures. Although Byrd's high scoring trio of Woods, Lott, and Powell played hard, they could not keep up with the fast moving Woodlawn team. After taking a 5 point first quarter lead, the Jackets seemed to tire as the Knights kept going strong. Terry Woods led the Jacket attack with 21 points.

BYRD 59 HUNTINGTON 71

Following a disappointed loss to Woodlawn and with Anthony Lott sick, the Jackets could not hold on to their halftime lead of 4 points, and went down in defeat for their second consecutive game. Without Lott, the Jackets missed both some offense and defense power. Terry Woods and Perry Powell kept up their high scoring ways, with Woods netting 23 points, and Powell scoring a game high of 24 points.

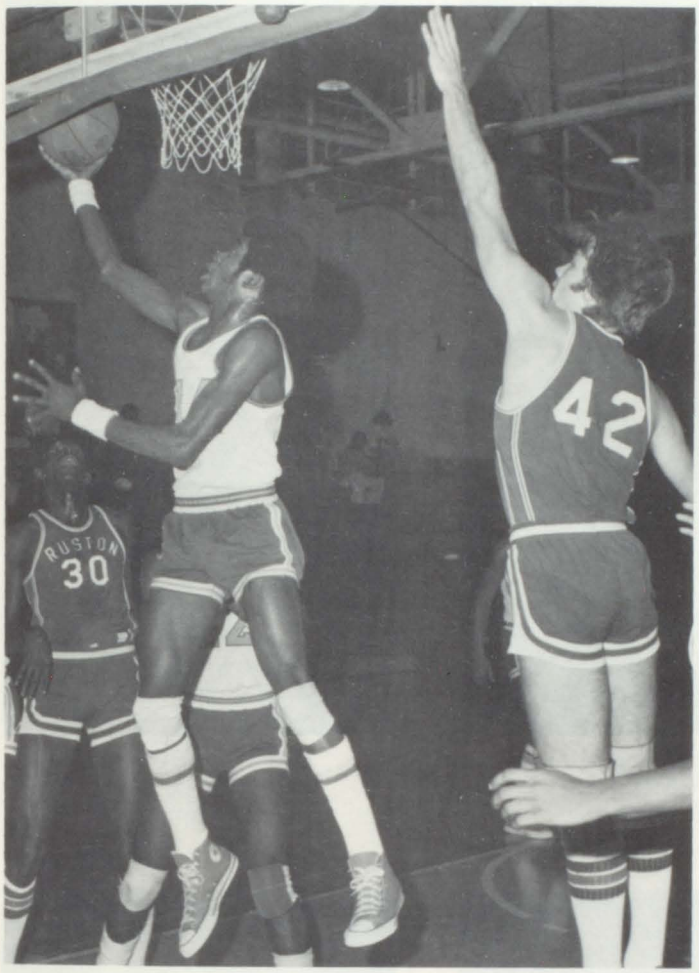


Terry Woods concentrated before shooting a foul shot.

Perry Powell glided to the goal for a lay-up.

Terry Woods carefully tipped the ball back in.

Returning Lettermen

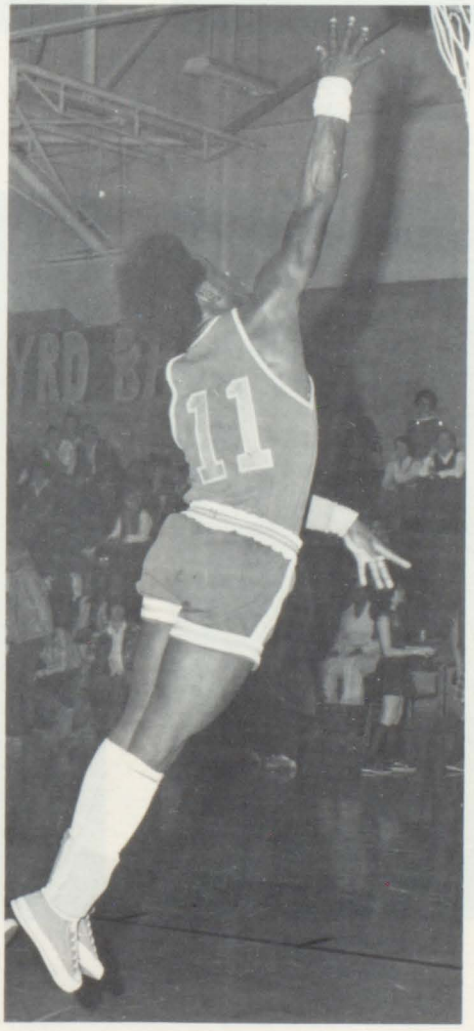


Randolph Banks broke between defenders for a lay-up.

BYRD 73 SOUTHWOOD 76

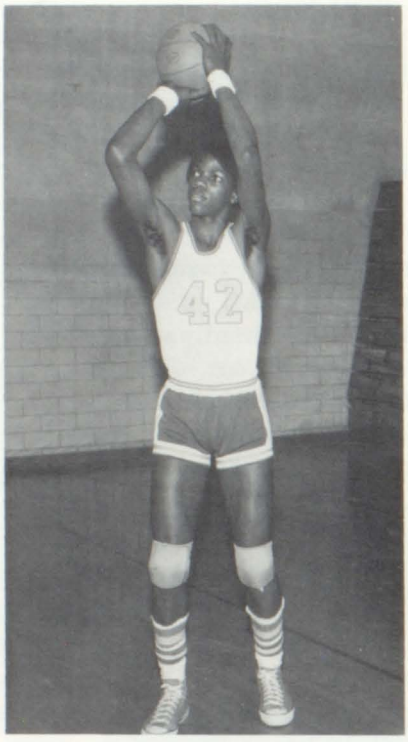
With two straight district losses behind them, the Jackets traveled to Cowboy Country without their leading scorer Terry Woods who was out due to illness. After losing the last two games, the Jackets badly needed a win to keep their playoff chances alive. Anthony Lott and Perry Powell, playing while they were sick, scored 28 and 17 points respectively. Ricky York and Randolph Banks also contributed to the offense for the Jackets in the absence of Terry Woods.

Terry Woods connected on a long jumpshot.



Perry Powell made two points in the Southwood game.

Jackets Worked Hard for



Anthony Lott
Forward
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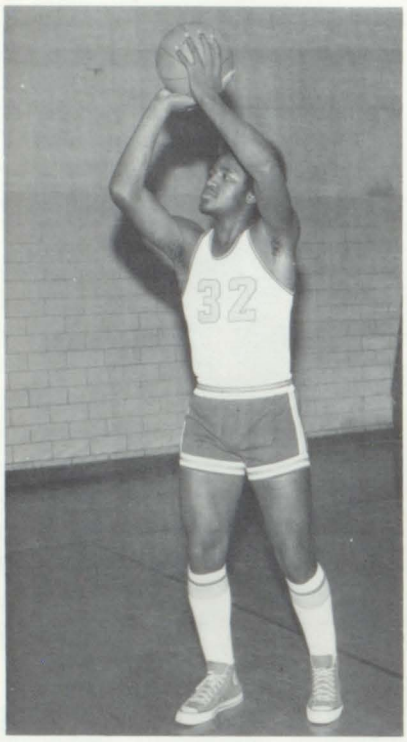

Terry Woods
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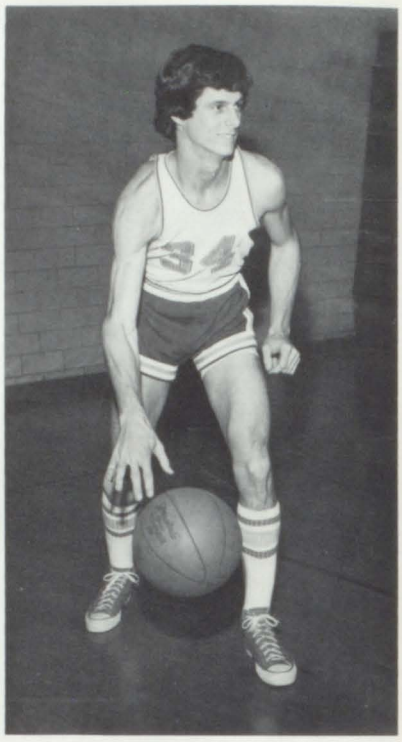

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Calvin Gillens
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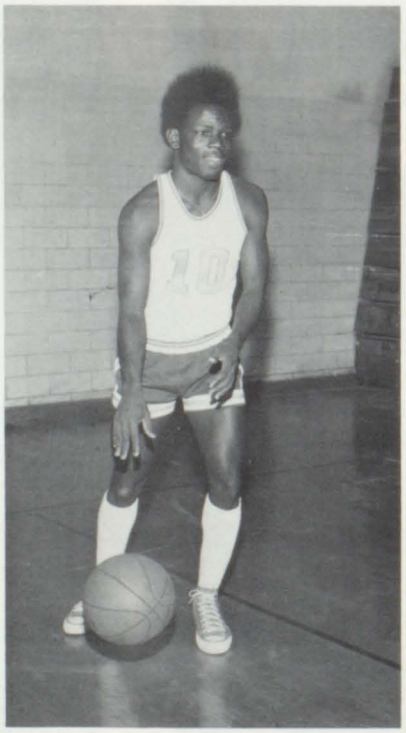

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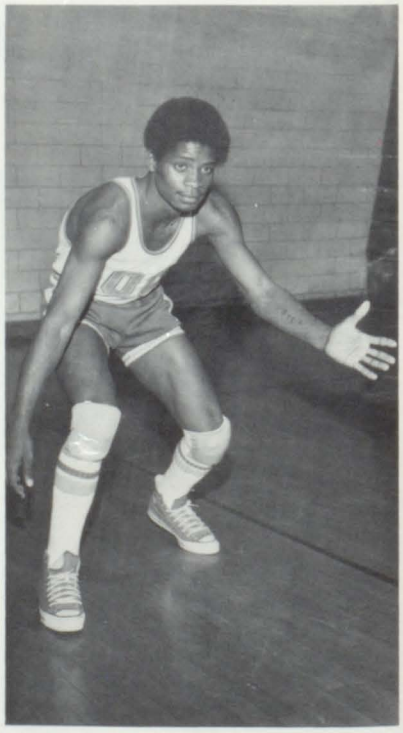

Billy Ford
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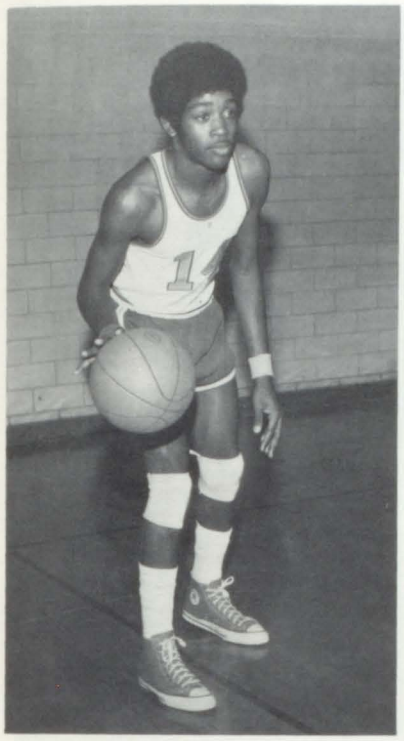

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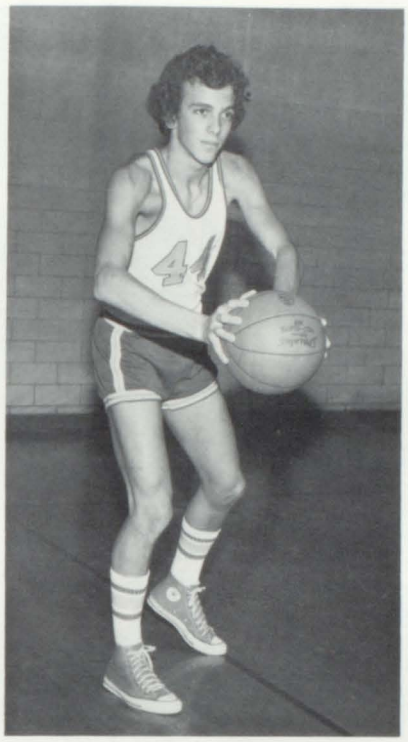

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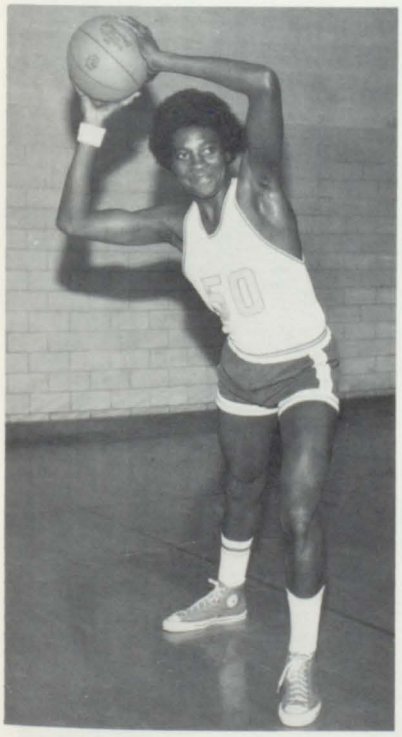

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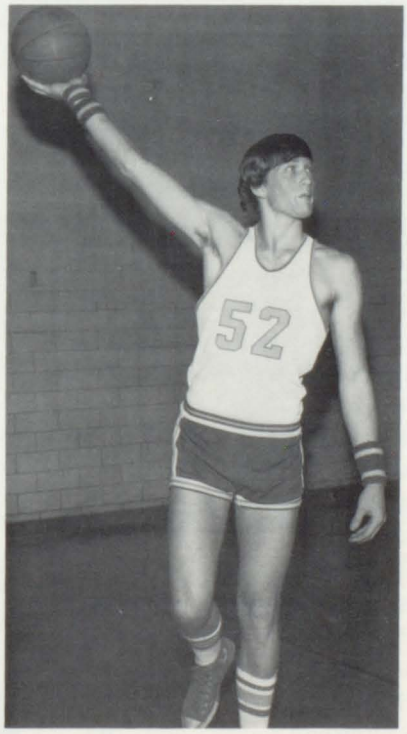

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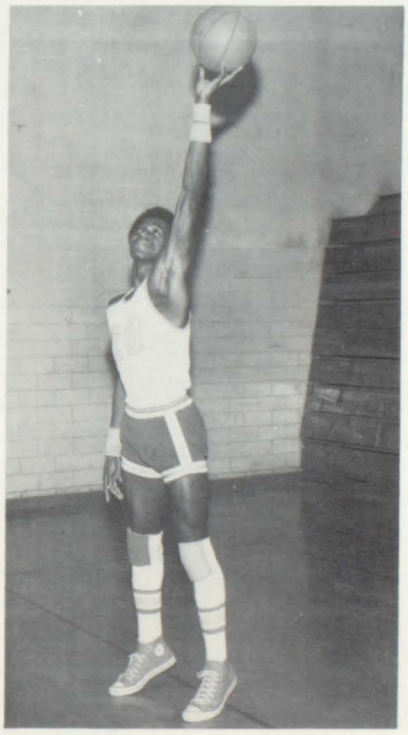

Keith Carter
Guard
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Junior Varsity Showed Potential

Members of the Junior Varsity were: KNEELING: Calvin Gillins, Charles Cotton, Ricky Law, and Billy Ford. STANDING: Coach Charles Thrash, Dexter Woods, Robert Reddix, Dan Sandifer, Steve Gordon, Ralph Frazier, and Ricky York.

BYRD --50	Captain Shreve	54
BYRD --26	Minden	50
BYRD --65	Captain Shreve	44
BYRD --50	Minden	45
BYRD --58	Natchitoches	53
BYRD --57	Ruston	61
BYRD --58	Jesuit	43
BYRD --64	Texarkana	75
BYRD --49	Airline	60
BYRD --38	Airline	57
BYRD --71	Jesuit	53
BYRD --58	Haughton	51
BYRD --54	B.T. Washington	50
BYRD --62	Fair Park	49
BYRD --53	Woodlawn	64
BYRD --52	Huntington	65
BYRD --61	Southwood	60

Coach Charles Thrash

Girls Showed Spirit

This year Byrd put its first girl's Varsity basketball team on the court because of the passage of Title IX. The rule eliminated the discrimination against athletes on the basis of their sex, allowing girl's athletics also to receive funds for their programs. Although the girls started the season slowly, their ambition and pride kept them together. The girls became a unified and spirited team by the middle of the season. The team was coached by Mr. H. C. Allen who was assisted by Mrs. Barbara Williams.

1976-77 GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

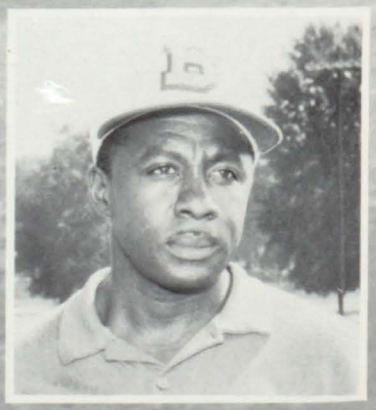
BYRD	21	Haughton	28
BYRD	30	Southfield	34
BYRD	20	North Caddo	66
BYRD	32	North Caddo	42
BYRD	24	B.T. Washington	48
BYRD	34	Haughton	48
BYRD	26	Southfield	31
BYRD	28	Northwood	38
BYRD	34	B.T. Washington	46
BYRD	25	Caster	41
BYRD	38	Northwood	32

Members of the Girls Basketball team were: FRONT ROW: Shawnee Robbins, Linda Dyer, Pam Risher, Vanessa Harris, Lawanna Marshall, Terry England. SECOND ROW: Mr. H. C. Allen, Thelma Anderson, Glenda Holt, Cindy Nolan, Melissa Miller, Patricia Thomas, Jeanne Howard, Robin Robbins, Mrs. Barbara Williams.

BASEBALL

Coach Tom Cathey, in his first year as head coach, guided the young 1976 Baseball Team to a respectable third place in 1-AAAA, with a 5-5 win-loss record and a 7-6 overall record. Three Yellow Jackets received post season honors, catcher Jerry Badgley receiving All-District, All-City, and All-State in 1-AAAA, with outfielder Joe Leon and pitcher Cal Griffith being chosen to the 1-AAAA All-District Team. Coach Cathey was assisted during the '76 season by Coach Earl Belle.

Tom Cathey
Head Coach



Earl Belle
Assistant Coach

Rivals Fell to the Jacket Onslaught

Coach Tom Cathey hit grounders to the infielders in the pre-game warmup.

1976 BASEBALL RECORD

Byrd	5	Nacogdoches	1
Byrd	4	Texarkana	7
Byrd	3	Jesuit	0
Byrd	8	Huntington	3
Byrd	6	Woodlawn	9
Byrd	2	Southwood	7
Byrd	9	B. T. Washington	2
Byrd	4	Huntington	3
Byrd	0	Fair Park	10
Byrd	6	Woodlawn	5
Byrd	7	Southwood	10
Byrd	1	Fair Park	3
Byrd	5	B. T. Washington	4

FRONT ROW: Mark Leonard, Tom McLeod, John Dornbusch, Newton Hunsicker, Billy Boswell, Clint Griffith. SECOND ROW: Bill Oglesby, Henry Graham, Jimmy Shaffer, Calvin Griffith, John Johns, Robert Youngman. THIRD ROW: Tim Goeders, Rick Lyman, Charles Robinson, Lance Rist, Rob Hay, Bentley Brister, Karl Mann, Mike Mauldin.

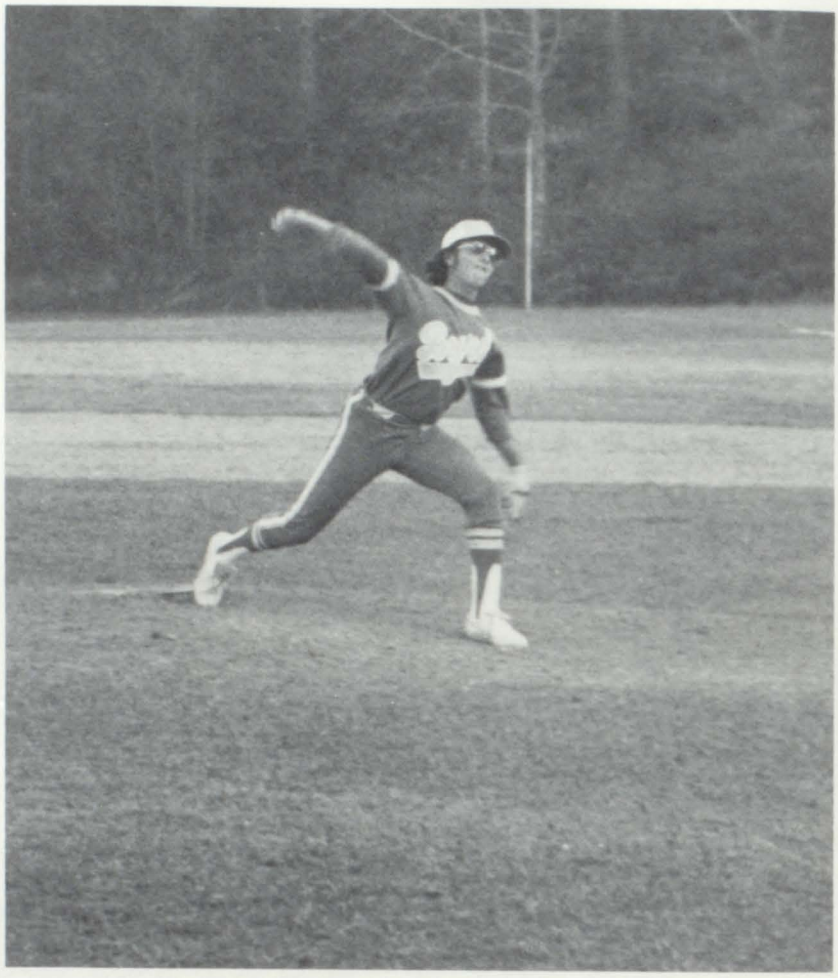
Jacketmen Sharpened Their

BYRD 5 NACOGDOCHES 1

The Jackets travelled to East Texas to open the season and came home victorious. The Jackets were led by sophomore Cal Griffith and senior Joe Leon with three and one RBI's respectively, while both shared honors with two base hits each. Pitcher Cal Griffith was able to shut out Nacogdoches, while allowing just four base hits until late in the 6th inning. Catcher Jerry Badgley also had an outstanding day to the plate, getting two hits.

BYRD 4 TEXARKANA 7

The diamondmen's first home appearance wasn't a joyous one, losing at the hands of the Texas team. Although a strong hitting performance was shown by the Jackets with Joe Leon, they could not match the potent attack of Texarkana. Byrd's pitching faltered in this game allowing thirteen hits, including two homeruns. Though the infielders and outfielders played very impressively, they could not stop the sharp hits by the Texas team.



Cal Griffith reached back to put all he had on the ball.

The 1977 infielders were: FRONT ROW: Tim Goeders, Rick Lyman, Tom McLeod, Newton Hunsicker, Billy Boswell. SECOND ROW: Lance Rist, Bentley Brister, Karl Mann, Clint Griffith, Robert Youngman.

The infield gathered around to listen to Jerry Badgley explain strategy.

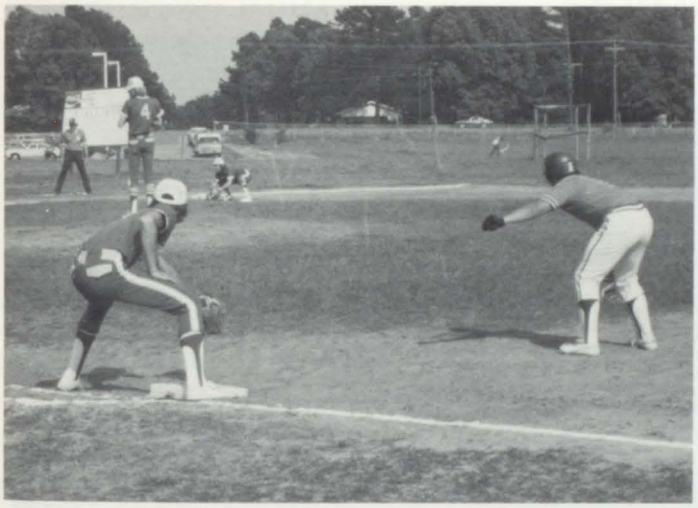
Talents in Early Season Play

BYRD 3 JESUIT 0

The Yellow Jackets had things fall their way as they shut out the rival Flyers from Jesuit. The Jackets were aided by an outstanding pitching performance from Marc Hulsizer, as well as two hits and two RBI's from Jerry Badgley. Seniors Steve Risher and John Reisz also picked up a hit a piece to aid in the Jacket attack. Byrd's strong defense was able to come up with outstanding defensive plays to back the pitching of Hulsizer.

BYRD 8 HUNTINGTON 3

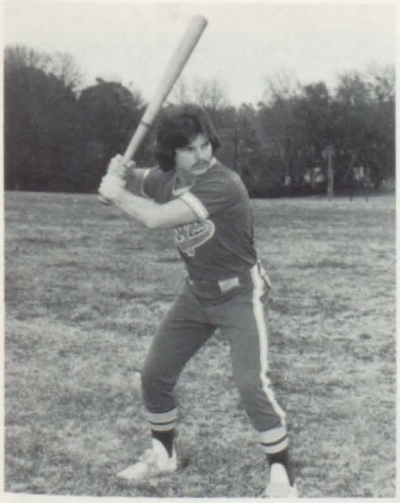
The Jackets opened district play against Huntington with a very impressive triumph. Although senior John Reisz was to be lost for the game and several games in the future from a leg injury in the first inning, the Jackets did not give up. Jerry Badgley led another impressive hitting barage, with three hits and four RBI's, while Steve Risher had a perfect day going three for three at the plate and scoring twice. The winning pitcher was Cal Griffith.



Marc Hulsizer peered over his shoulder at the player on first.

BYRD 6 WOODLAWN 9

Byrd's hitting attack finally faltered against Woodlawn. Woodlawn's top guns proved to be too much for the Jackets. After the Jackets tied the game up in the fifth inning at five-all, their hopes were shattered as Woodlawn came back with four more runs in the sixth. Byrd was unable to recuperate from this blow and went down to defeat. Senior Jerry Badgley again had an outstanding day going three for four at the plate, but he couldn't do it all alone.



Rob Hay
Outfielder-Letterman I

Joe Leon slapped a single to drive in a run.

Excellent Batting Aided

BYRD 2 SOUTHWOOD 7

Byrd's offense for the second game in a row failed as the Jackets lost their second straight district game. Byrd finally got some points, scoring two runs in the fourth inning, but it was too late to match or surpass the Cowboy's seven runs. Joe Leon was able to notch up a two-for-two day with Steve Risher also gaining two hits.

BYRD 4 HUNTINGTON 3

The second appearance of the year by the Raiders proved to be the most exciting of the season, going into extra innings. With the score tied up at three-all at the end of seven innings, the Jackets were able to keep the Raiders from scoring. In the bottom of the eighth, Cal Griffith came to the plate with nobody out and lined a shot to center field for a triple. On the very next pitch, the Raider pitcher threw the ball away allowing Griffith to score, and allowing the Jackets to raise their record to 3-2 in District play. Griffith also pitched and won his second game in two days, raising his record to 4-0. Rob Hay and Joe Leon also picked up two hits apiece.

Karl Mann
Outfielder - Letterman I

Robert Youngman
Secondbase - Letterman I

Jerry Badgley reached out to get a piece of the ball.

Tommy Clark stretched to catch John Reisz's throw.

The 1977 catchers were Bill Oglesby and John Dornbush.

the Jacket Attack

BYRD 9 BTW 2

The Yellow Jackets were able to come off two straight defeats, to score their highest point total of the season and defeat the Lions of Booker T. Washington. Byrd let the gate open as every Jacket had a successful day with the bat while also playing a very strong defense. Marc Hulsizer went three for four with two RBI's while John Reisz, Steve Risher, Cal Griffith, and Karl Mann were able to pound out two hits apiece, with Mann knocking a triple. Griffith was also the winning pitcher raising his pitching record to 3 wins and 0 losses.

BYRD 6 WOODLAWN 5

Byrd's fourth game in five days, against the Knights of Woodlawn, proved to be as exciting as their last meeting, being decided in the last inning. After a see-saw battle between the teams through six innings, the Jackets went to their last bat with the game tied at five-all. John Reisz led off with a single. Steve Risher then cracked a single to left field. With a man on first and second, Junior Rob Hay then smashed a double scoring John Reisz to win the game for the Jackets. John Reisz went three for three scoring three times.

Marc Hulsizer waited impatiently to tag the sliding runner.

BYRD 0 FAIR PARK 10

The two games in the two previous days proved to be very tiring for the Jackets as the Byrd faced a healthy and well rested Indian team. The Jackets were never able to get ahead as Jerry Badgley and Cal Griffith were only able to manage one hit apiece, while the Jacket defense was not able to stop the Indian hitting. This loss dropped their district record to 3-3.

Coach Tom Cathey discussed opening game strategy.

Steve Risher swung hard and pounded the ball into the ground.

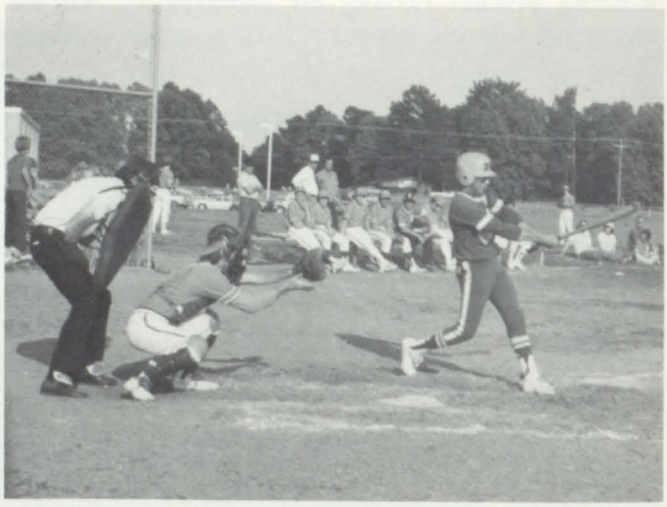
Byrd Playoff Hopes Were

BYRD 7 SOUTHWOOD 10

Southwood quickly jumped in the lead with seven runs in the second inning, but from then on Byrd could not catch the Cowboys. Though the Yellow Jackets showed a weak performance on a whole, several Jackets had a good day at the plate as Jerry Badgley, Joe Leon, and Karl Mann all had two hits. John Reisz, Rob Hay, and Steve Risher also collected on hits with Reisz and Hay scoring once. Chances for the state playoffs looked dim for the Jackets at this point.

After fielding the ball, Steve Risher threw out an opposing player at first base.

Pitchers for the 1977 team were: Mark Leonard, Calvin Griffith, Charles Robinson, and John Johns.



Cal Griffith rapped a single in a crucial inning against Southwood.

Cal Griffith
Pitcher - Letterman I

Joe Leon led a successful Jacket team off the field.

Mark Leonard
Outfielder - Letterman I

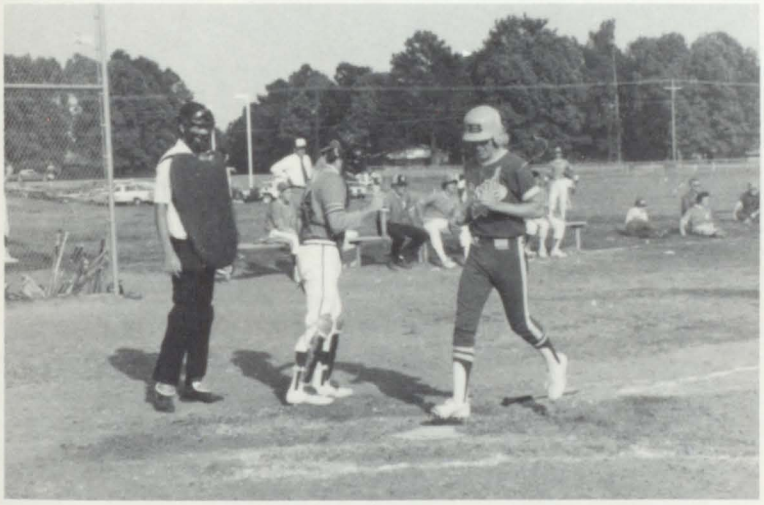
Alive Until the End

BYRD 1 FAIR PARK 3

Going into the Fair Park game, Byrd still had an opportunity to make the state playoffs for the third year in a row. Playing at the Indian field, the Jackets scored a run in the first to take an early lead, but it only lasted for a short time as the Indians scored two in the fourth inning and one in the fifth to win the game and eliminate the Jackets from the playoffs. Cal Girffith lost his first game of the season in this game bringing his record to 5-1.

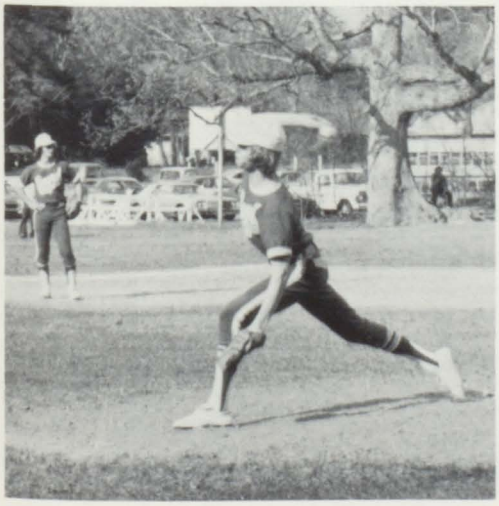
BYRD 5 BTW 4

Though the game with the Lions didn't really have any significance, the Jackets did not lose their pride, as they went on to defeat the Lions of Booker T. Washington, 5-4. In their last game at Byrd High School, many seniors gave good performances. Jerry Badgley again had a good day, going three for three at the plate, while John Reisz, Steve Risher, and Joe Leon all had base hits and figured greatly in the scoring.



Steve Risher trotted across home plate for a score against Southwood.

The 1977 outfielders were: FRONT ROW: Mike Shaffer, Henry Graham, Rob Hay. SECOND ROW: Karl Mann, Mark Leonard.



Marc Hulsizer loosened his arm in preparation for the next inning.

John Reisz dug for second base as the pitcher delivered the ball.

TRACK

The Byrd Track Team of 1976 displayed great skill and ability throughout the season with a fifth place finish in district. Paul Smith and Frank Minion were the only team members qualifying for regional, both of them going for a second time. Byrd started off quickly in the season, but as the season progressed Byrd lost their star sprinter Calvin Moore. With the loss of Moore, Byrd was unable to replace the fine runner and lost out at the district meet.

Coach Larry Kahlden

Coach Helen Hedgemon

Track Team Placed Fifth in District

1976 Track Team members were: FIRST ROW: Frank Minion, Darrel Mullins, Charles Cotton, Jackie Mays, Eric Latson, Alphonzo Williams, Dwayne Price, David Jones. SECOND ROW: Coach Kahlden, Steve Anderson, Keith Carter, Terry Woods, Wynn Hutto, Chappelle Henderson, Randolf Banks, Keith Irvin, Billy Roussell, Coach Baylor.

Frank Minion led the field in the mile run.

1976 TRACK SCHEDULE

March 6, Watty Meyers Relays
March 18, Byrd Relays
March 19, Northwood Relays
March 26, Fair Park Relays
April 1, Captain Shreve Relays
April 6, Woodlawn Relays
April 13, Bossier Relays
April 23, District Meet
April 30, Regional Meet
May 7, State Meet.

Jackets Had Slow Start in Texas

In the Watty Meyers Relays at Texas High in Texarkana, Byrd finished thirteenth out of sixteen teams. On the three relay teams scheduled to compete, four sprinters were without previous track experience of any kind. Being out dashed by a field including the Texas State AAAA Champions and other strong teams from Texas and Arkansas, Calvin Moore turned in a brilliant performance placing fourth in the 220-yard dash while Steve Anderson running a 10:57.8, his personal best, got a fifth in the two mile. Frank Minion was the leading scorer for the Jacket cindermen with second spot in the mile run and fourth in the 880-yard dash.

Calvin Moore left the field behind in the 220-yard dash.

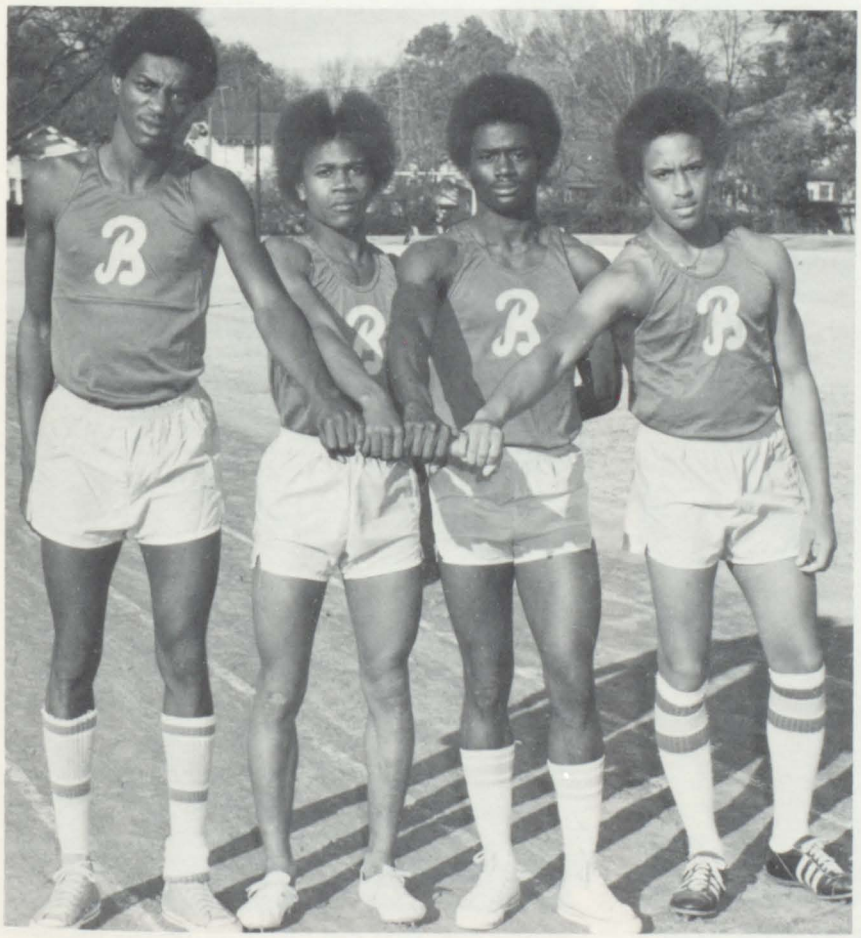
Jackie Mays hurled himself into the pit for a good mark.

Members of the 440-relay team were: Eric Latson, Dwayne Price, Jackie Mays, and Darell Mullens.

Jackets Picked Up Speed in Home Meet

Steve Anderson lined up for the start of the mile run.

Eager to be impressive before a large home crowd at the Byrd High track field, the cindermen surprised everyone by taking fifth place against all of the top teams in North Louisiana. The 880-yard relay team, which was first in its heat and third overall with a blazing speed of 1:32.1, ran the complete relay for the first time that season. Calvin Moore lived up to his high rating by capturing second in the 220-yard dash and tying for fourth in the 100-yard dash with a time of 9.95. Others picking up points were Frank Minion who ran away from the field in the mile and placed second in the 880-yard run.



Members of the 880 relay team were: Keith Carter, Jackie Mayes, Eric Latson, and Darell Mullens.

Randolf Banks leaped for a good mark in the broad jump.

Jackets Had Best Finish at Indian Meet

Though delayed two days because of rain and plagued by a wet track, the Byrd cindermen grabbed third place at the Fair Park Meet, their best finish of the year. Winning both the mile with a 4:29.9 and two mile runs, Frank Minion turned in a remarkable performance. The 880 yard relay team finished third with a good 1:32.9. Also placing were Calvin Moore, taking second in the 100-yard dash despite a pulled muscle, Gregg DeFatta, who placed third in pole vault and Paul Smith, running a fast second in the 440-yard dash. Scott Petree's javelin and the mile relay team both finished fifth to round out the scoring.

Reynolds White handed off to Bentley Brister in the mile relay.

Mile Relay Team members were: FIRST ROW: Chappelle Henderson, Frank Minion. SECOND ROW: Keith Carter and Steve Anderson.

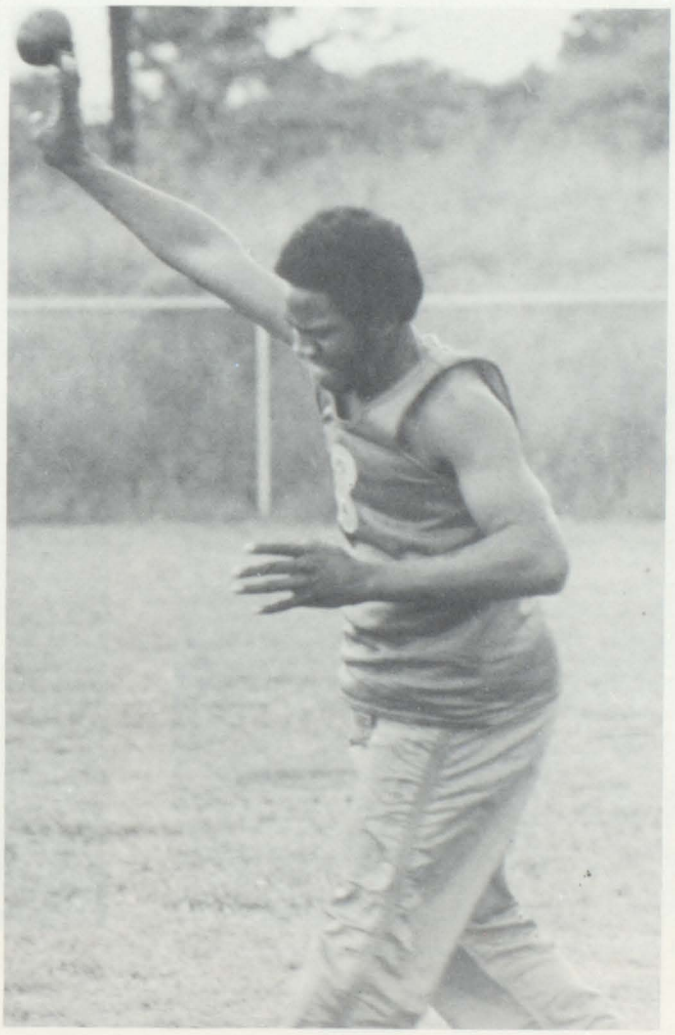
Carrenza Johns shows good form in the 120 yard Low Hurdles.

Jackets Fell Back in Pace

Gregg DeFatta displayed great skill as he jumped over the high bar.

Not fully recovered from running the Indian Meet, the Jackets came in a rather disappointing fifth at the Captain Shreve Meet. Going without star sprinter Calvin Moore, the cindermen efforts suffered in the running events. True to form, the 800 yard relay team got third again. Frank Minion got second in both the mile and two mile run. Paul Smith landed second in the 440-yard dash. Gregg DeFatta got third in the pole vault, while Scott Petree got fifth in the javelin. Steve Anderson also added points by running in the mile run in which he grabbed a fifth place.

Coach Larry Rambin and John Hughes discussed his time in the race.



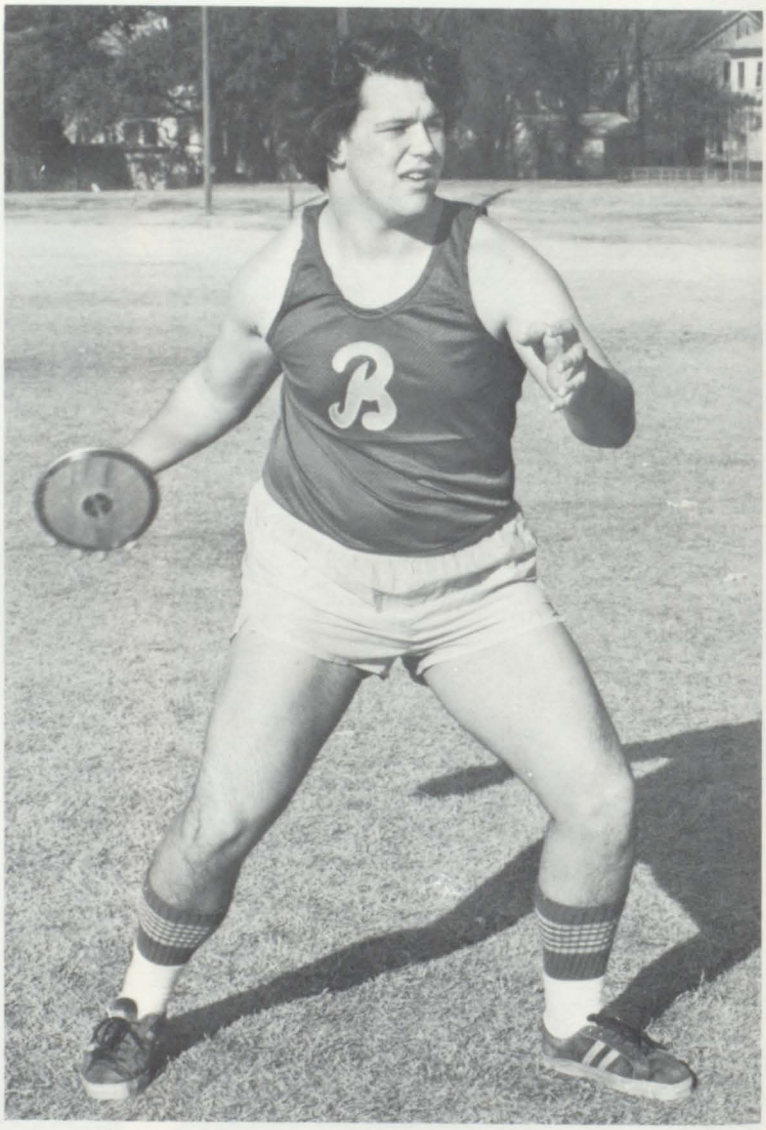
Terry Woods displayed his ability in the shot put.

Jackets Took Fourth at Woodlawn Meet

At the Woodlawn Meet the Jackets finished fourth. Paul Smith ran first in the 440 yard dash and Frank Minion took first in both the mile and two mile runs. Scott Petree again winning points placed fifth in the javelin and Gregg DeFatta placed fourth in the pole vault.

Paul Smith had a good start in the mile relay.

Paul Watkins leaped for a good mark in the broad jump.

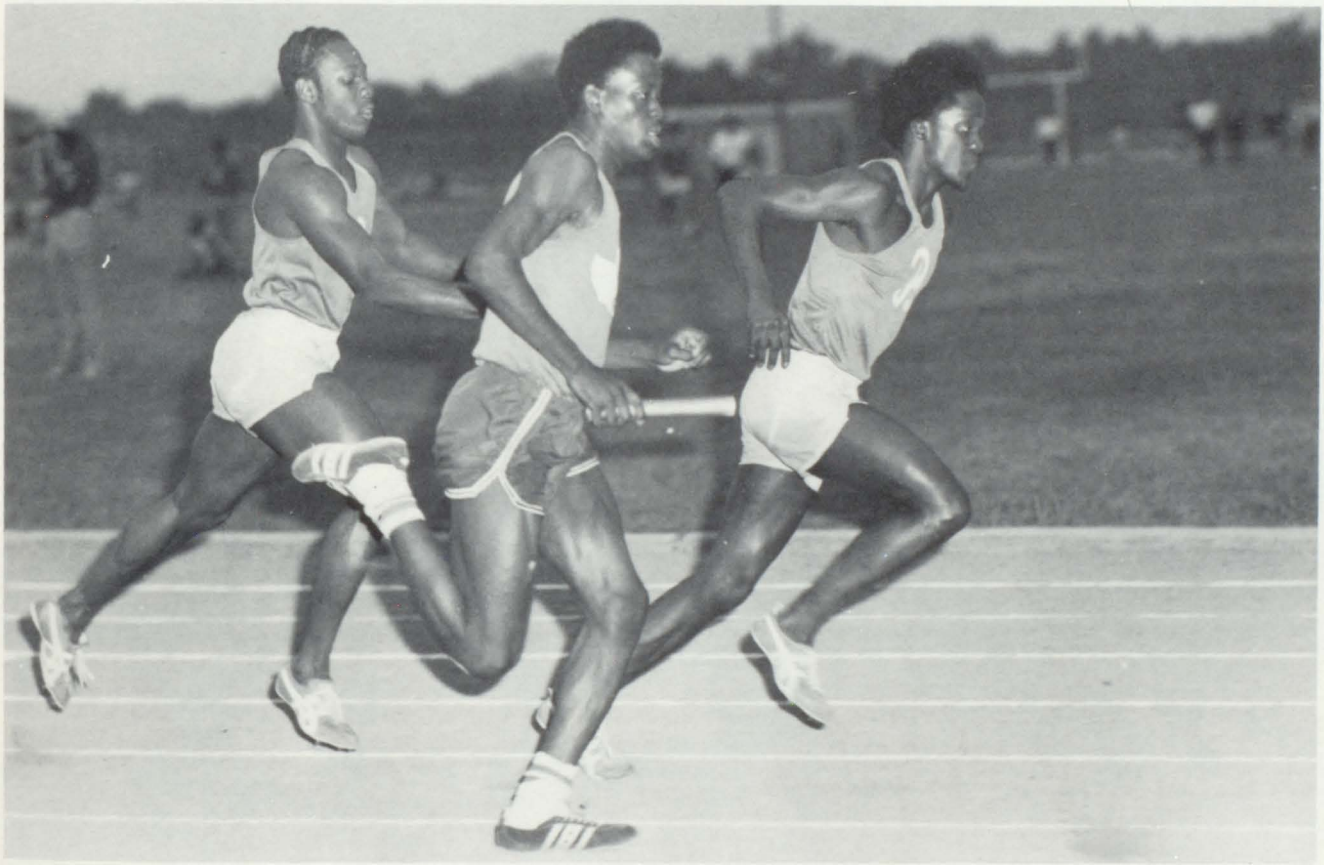


Wynn Hutto prepared to throw the discus.

Jackets Had Bad Finish at Bossier Meet

John Hughes practiced his starts.

Finishing sixth over all, the Jackets fell back in their pace at the Bossier Meet. Paul Smith placed first again in the 440-yard dash and Gregg DeFatta, getting stronger in the pole vault every meet, took second. Scott Petree, again winning points for the Jackets, placed fifth in the Javelin. Calvin Moore grabbed a third place finish in the 100-yard dash to wrap up the scoring.



Calvin Moore handed off to Donald Jenkins in the 220-yard dash.

Byrd Sent Four to Regional

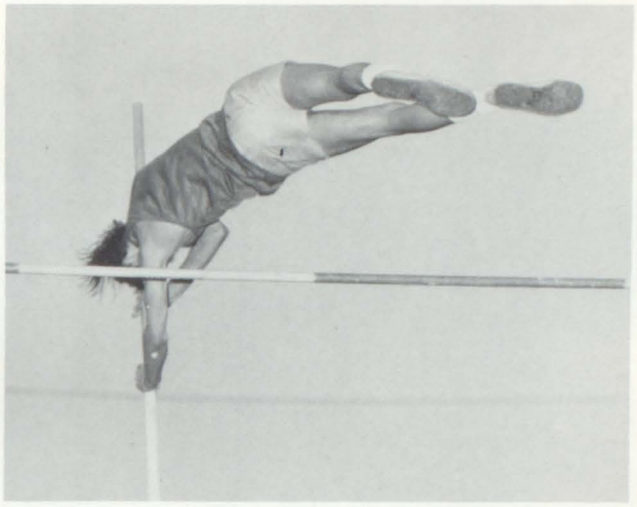
At the District meet held at Southwood, Byrd's individuals made a strong showing. Four team members qualified for the regional meet. Paul Smith ran a strong 50-second 440-yard dash. Calvin Moore made an exceptionally good showing, qualifying for regional in both the 100-yard dash with a 10-second time and the 220-yard dash with a 22-second time, but because of an injury, he was not able to go to regional. Frank Minion was there to hold up for the cross country team by winning the mile run with a 4-minute 41-second time and also the two mile run with a 10-minute 37-second time. Gregg DeFatta as a sophomore qualified for regional in the pole vault with an 11-foot 6-inch vault. This was the team to represent Byrd High School in the regional meets. Even though Byrd sent three members to regionals, none of them qualified for state.

Chappelle Henderson stretched to make a faultless jump over the hurdle.

Donald Jenkins handed off to Jackie Mays in the 220-yard relay.

Byrd Excelled in All Phases of Track

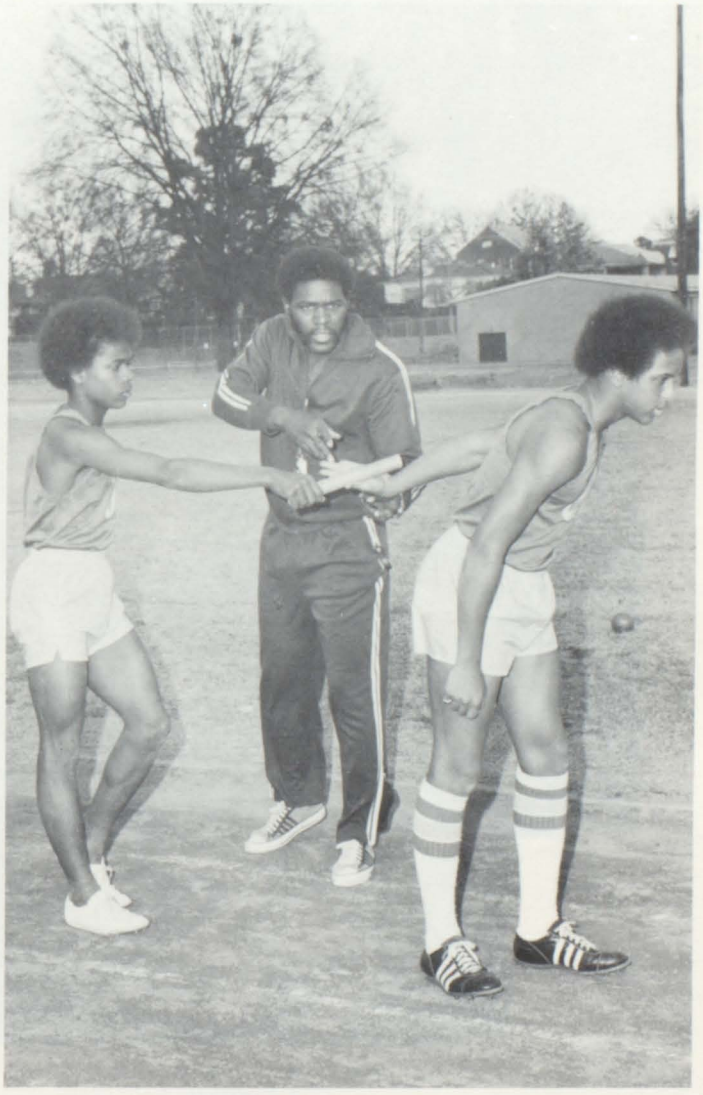
Renolds White warmed up for the 220 low hurdles.



Gregg DeFatta flew over the high bar.

Darrell Mutten and Jackie Mayes practiced their handoffs.

Steve Anderson warmed up for the big track meet.



Coach Ronnie Baylor instructed his runners in the proper hand-off technique.

Girls' Track Team

In 1977, the Girls' Track Team became more active, hoping to add new meets each year. On January 22, 1977 a track clinic was held by the faculty and students of N.S.U. for girls from local schools. The Byrd girls attended and put the knowledge they gained to good use. Attending several meets in March and April, this new track team was given a chance to polish their skills. On March 11, Byrd was scheduled to hold a meet at the Byrd track. Girls Track Coach, Helen Hedgemon, worked her girls hard in preparation for the Regional Meet on May 7 hoping to send several girls to the state meet later in May.

Kim Angevine - 880 Relay
Letterman I

Harriett Boddie - Discus
Letterman I

Pam McPherson kept her balance as she cleared the high bar.

Attended N.S.U. Clinic

The members of the 1977 Girls Track Team were: FRONT ROW: Paula Huffman, Kathey Eichler, Barbara Ward, Lydia LeVasseur, Debbie Sharpe, Vanessa Harris. SECOND ROW: Twone Copper, Debbie Bains, Felonicia Walker, Pat Thomas, Lois Wingfield, Alicia Briney, Harriette Boddie.

Kathey Eichler - Mile Run
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Twone Cooper - 880 Relay
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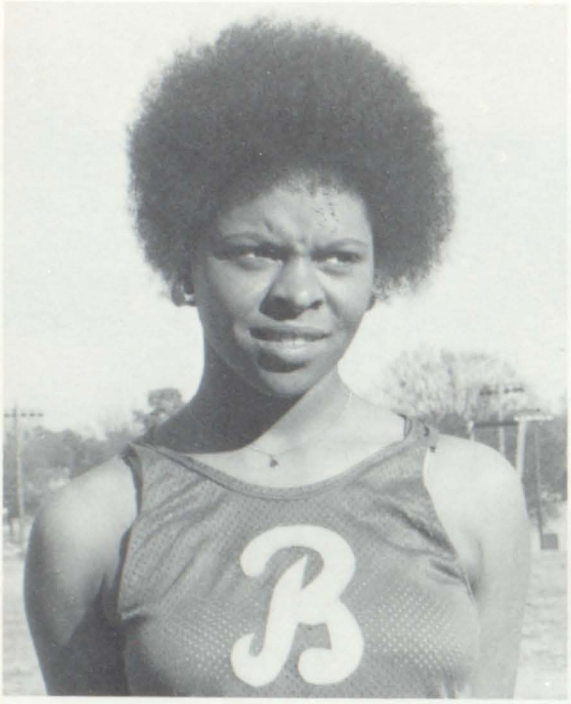
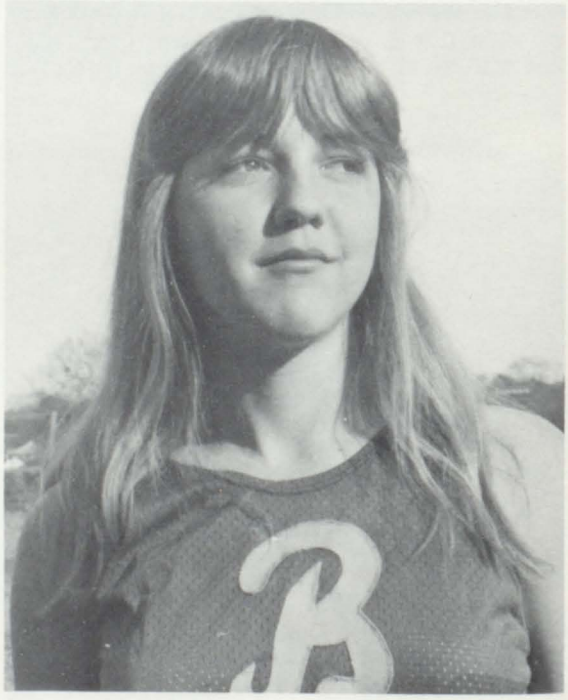
Byrd Served as Host



Pat Thomas - 880 Relay
Letterman I

Lydia LeVasseur stretched for that extra distance in the broadjump competition.

The 1977 Field Events people were: Harriett Boddie, Debbie Sharpe, Alicia Briney, Vanessa Harris, and Debbie Bains.



Barbara Ward - 440 Yard Run
Letterman I

for Girls Track Meet

Felonicia Walker - 880 Yard Relay
Letterman I

A visiting Northwestern trackster showed Harriett Boddie how to stretch properly.

The 1977 Girls Track Managers were Lydia LeVasseur and Lois Wingfield.

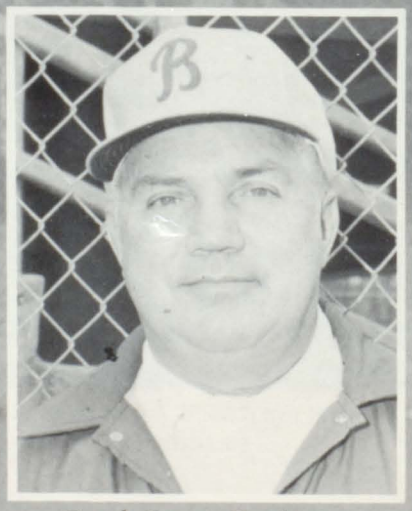
Sondra Winderwedle - 440 Yard Run
Letterman I

TENNIS

Byrd High School is still noted for its outstanding tennis team. For the past eighteen years the Byrd Tennis Team record stands, won 268, lost 13, and tied 44. In the Regional Tournament the girls took second place while the boys won the Regional Championship. Cyndie Phillips and Wendy Williams were the runners-up in doubles. Scott Peavy was the Singles Champion and Doubles Champion with Brooks Ray in the Regionals Tournament. Elaine Mayo came in third place in the tournament.

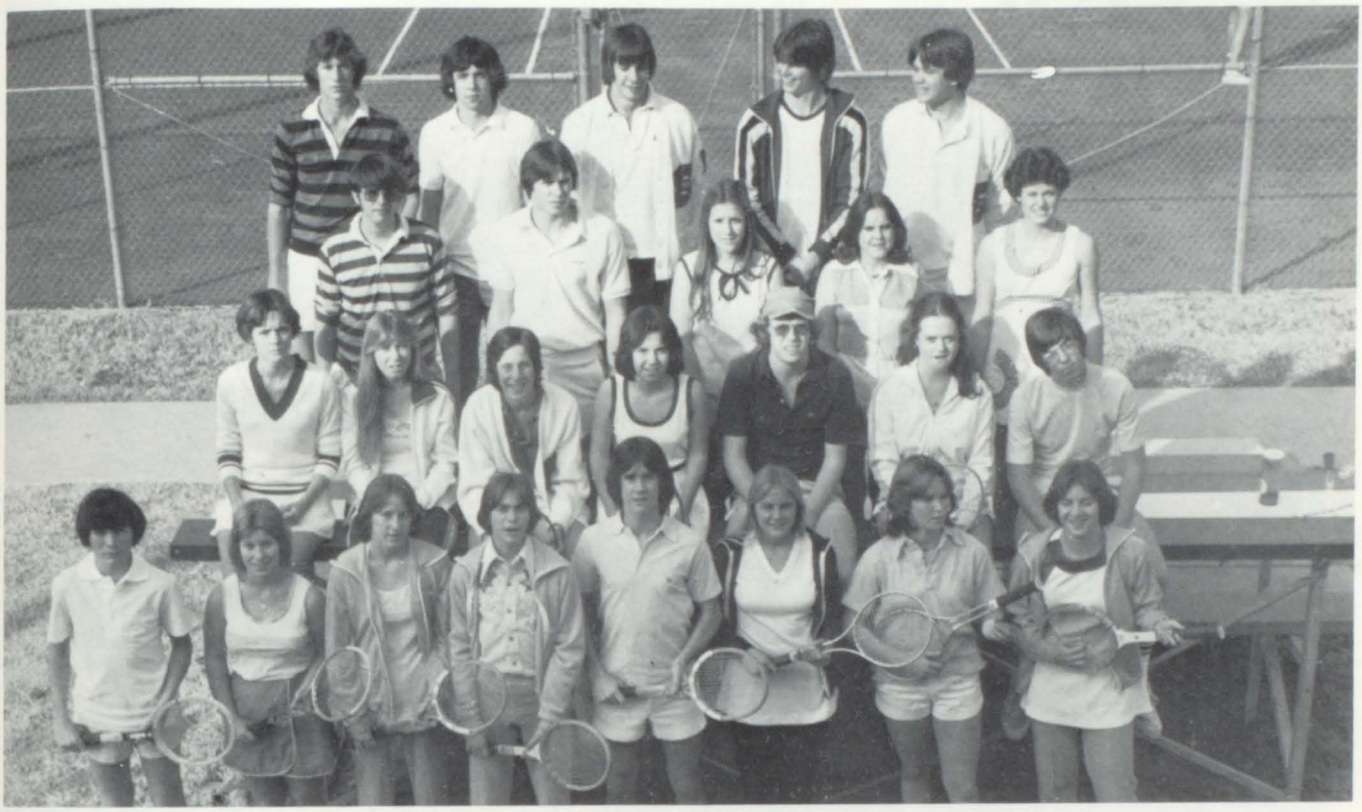
The 1975-76 tennis team record was: won 8, lost 3, and tied 1. In the 1-AAAA State Tennis Tournament held in Morgan City, 3-year letterman Scott Peavy captured the Boys Singles and Doubles Title with Cory Pabody. Carol Stephens with Cory Pabody were the State Runners-Up in Mixed Doubles.

The tennis team was led by Coach Jimmy Harrison and Mrs. Mary Burroughs.

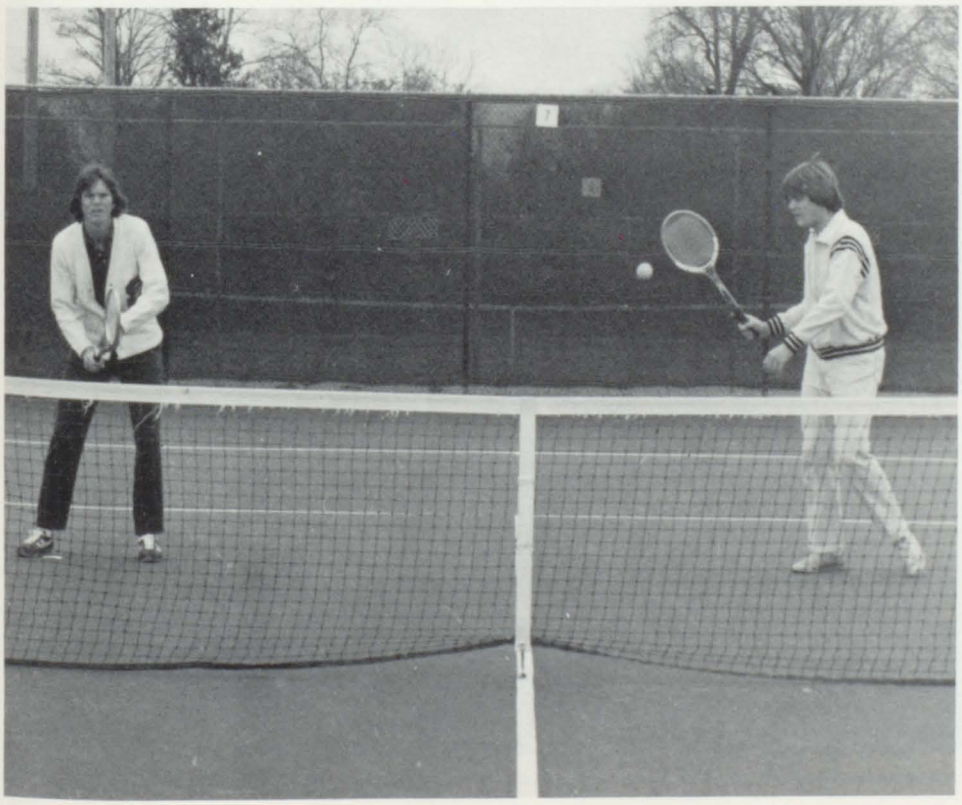


Coach Jimmy Harrison

Jackets Were Second in State



The 1976-1977 Tennis Team.

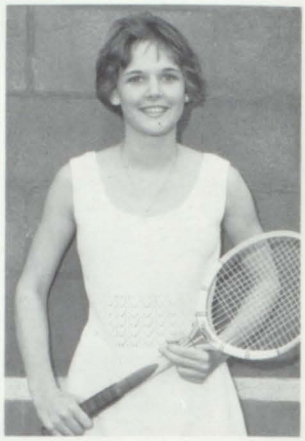


Brooks Ray and Scott Peavy practiced daily on their doubles tactics.

Billy Phillips displayed the backhand form.

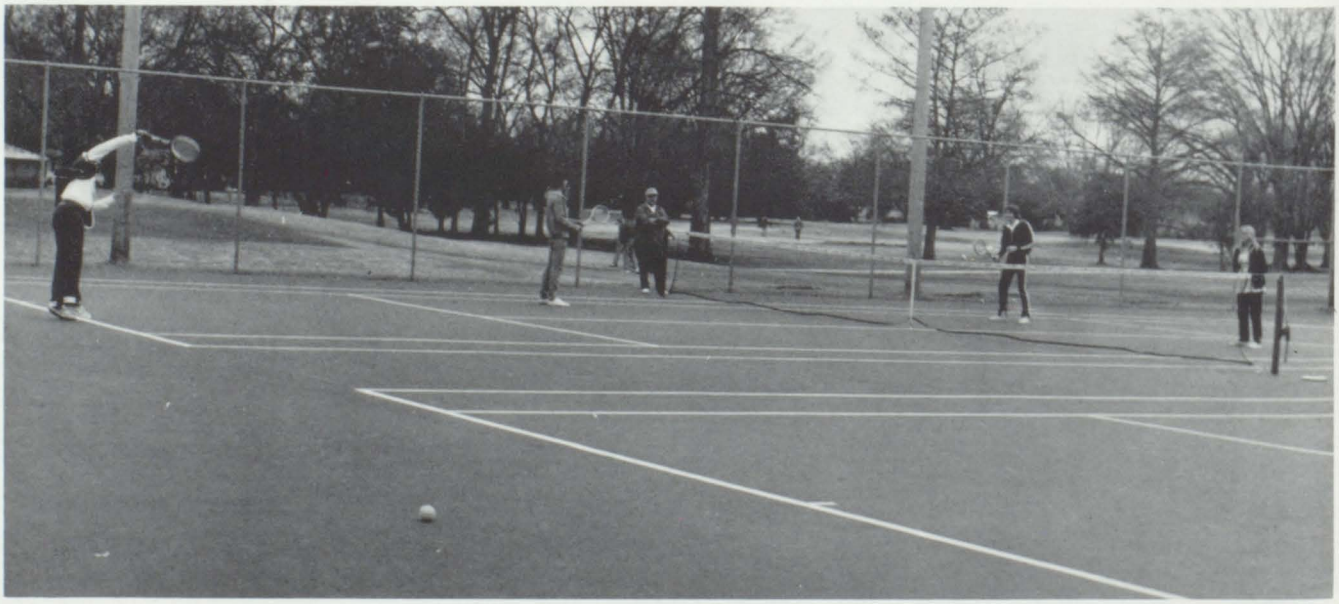
Netters Played in

Regional and State competitors Elaine Mayo, Brooks Ray, Scott Peavy, and Wendy Williams displayed the trophy won at State.



Laura Gallagher - Sr.
Letterman III

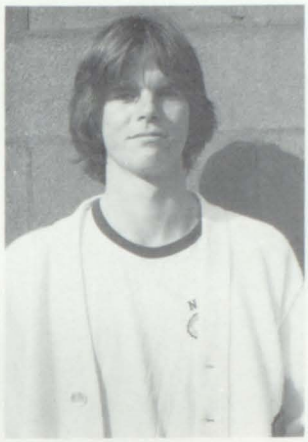
Scott Peavy - Sr.
Letterman III



Coach Jimmy Harrison watched Jean Curnett and Rob Dixon compete against Blain Borders and Liz Oglesby.

Out-of-Town Tournaments

Coach Jimmy Harrison and Mrs. Mary Burroughs discussed the schedule for the out-of-town tennis tournaments.



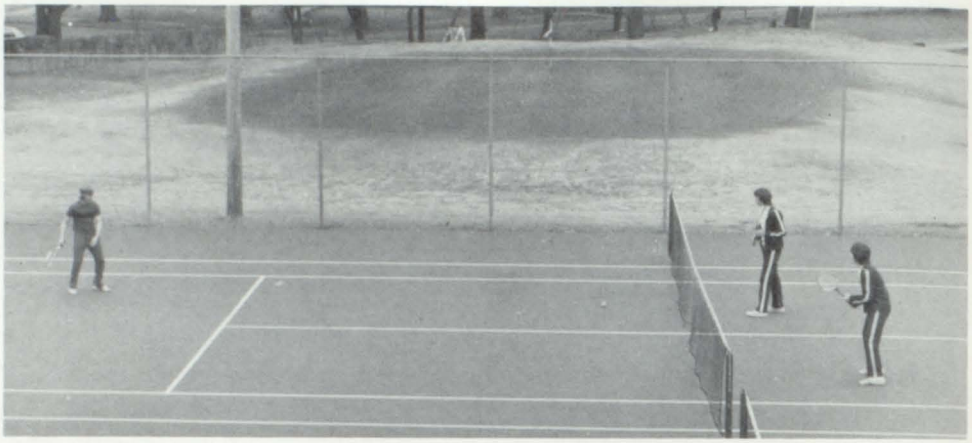
Brooks Ray - Sr.
Letterman III

Billy Phillips - Sr.
Letterman III

Junior and Senior members were: FRONT ROW: Laura Gallagher, Laurie Locke, David Schwartz, Deanna Booras, Richard Liles, Mary Slagle, Phil Phillips. SECOND ROW: Jean Curnett, Blaine Borders, Lois Wingfield, Phillis Carter, Elaine Mayo. THIRD ROW: Billy Phillips, Rob Dixon, Byron Trust, Cyndie Phillips, Brooks Ray, Scott Peavy.

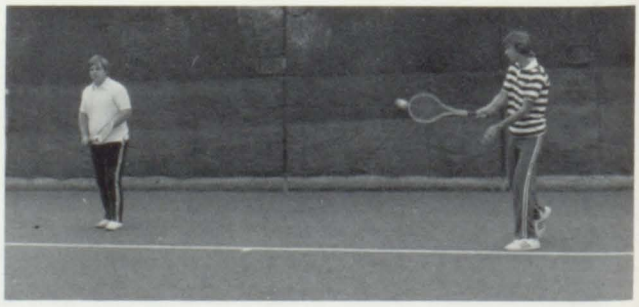
Spirit and Determination

Cyndie Phillips - Sr.
Letterman III



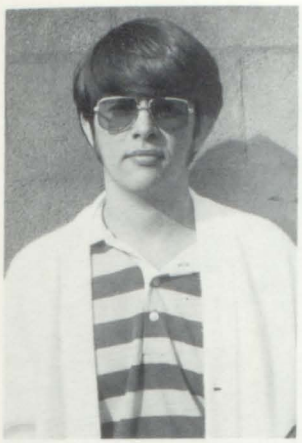
Practicing many long hours to obtain a high rank on the tennis team, Chester Philen, Phil Phillips and John Berton found that diligence paid off.

FIRST ROW: Lori Phillips, John Berton, Joe Prather, Jack Ellisore, Craig Atkins, Chester Philen. SECOND ROW: Pam Risher, Liz Oglesby, Wendy Williams, Polly Selber, Thomas Wafer.



Billy Phillips practiced his strategy against his opponents as Rodney Thomas looked on.

Gave Jackets Victory Margin



Jean Curnett - Jr.
Letterman II

Elaine Mayo - Jr.
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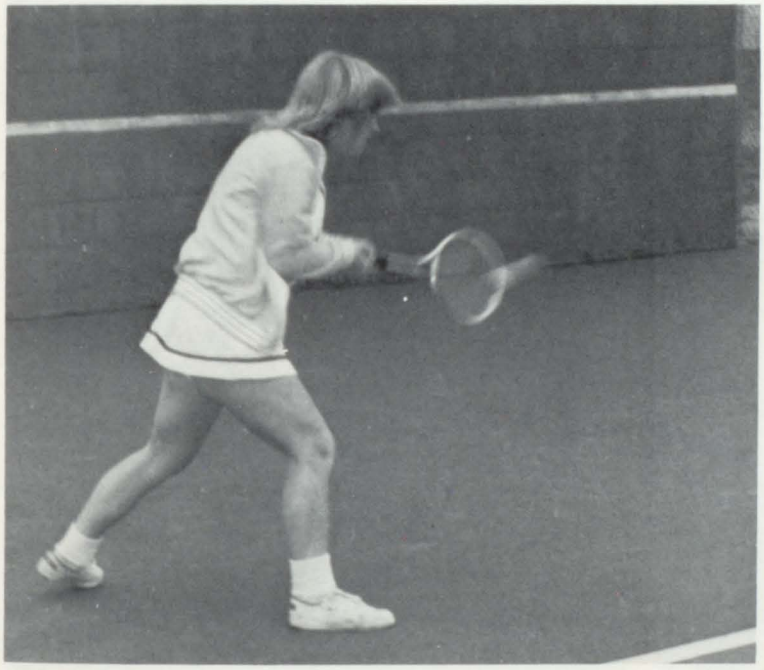
David Schartz - Jr.
Letterman II

Wendy Williams - Soph.
Letterman II



Sophomore Lori Phillips exhibited excellent form of a two-handed backhand.

After a tough tennis match Deanna Booras and John Berton enjoyed a drink of water.

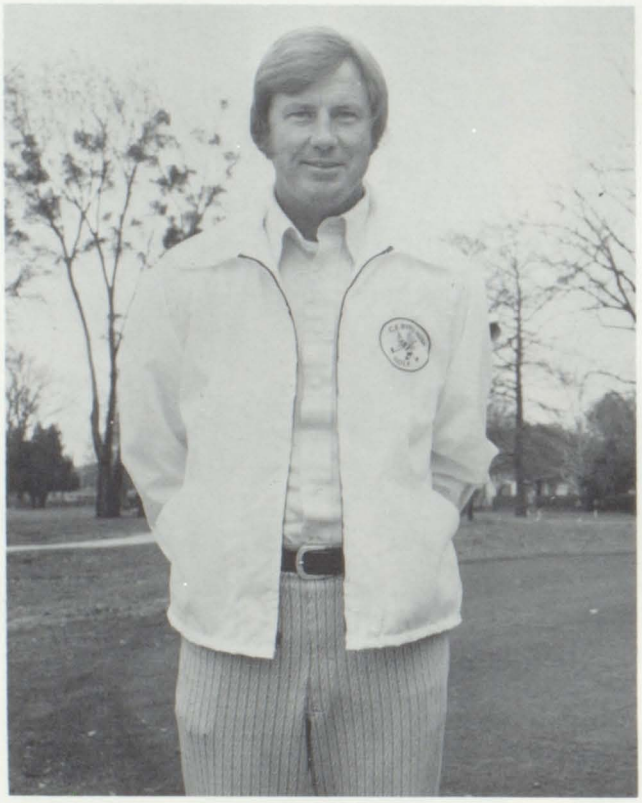
Wendy Williams practiced her technique for a forehand.

Brooks Ray attempted another one of his drop shots.

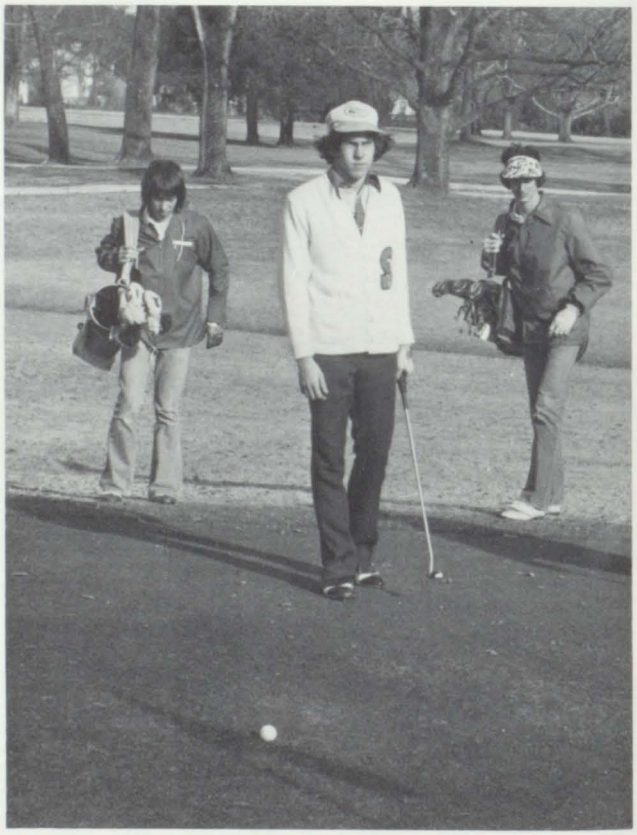
GOLF TEAM Played

The 1976 Golf Team included five returning lettermen. Their season included playing in the Southwood Tournament in which they placed ninth. As the season progressed the Golf Team participated in the Regional Tournament where they placed third. After placing third in Regional, the team was able to go to the State Tournament in Monroe. In the State Tournament, the team played on the Pine Hills Golf Course, where they tied for sixth out of thirteen teams. The Golf Team was sponsored by Mr. Johnny Harkness.

Members were: FRONT ROW: Ricky Parker, Kem Smelser, Steve Adams, Eric Peck. SECOND ROW: Robert Smith, Mike Aronld, Robert Wisby, Coach Johnny Harkness.



Coach Johnny Harkness



Team members Ricky Parker, Eric Peck, and Robert Wisby prepared to sink their shots on the green.

in State Tournament

Eric Peck - Jr.
Letterman III

Robert Smith - Jr.
Letterman III

Steve Adams - Sr.
Letterman II

Robert Wisby - Sr.
Letterman II

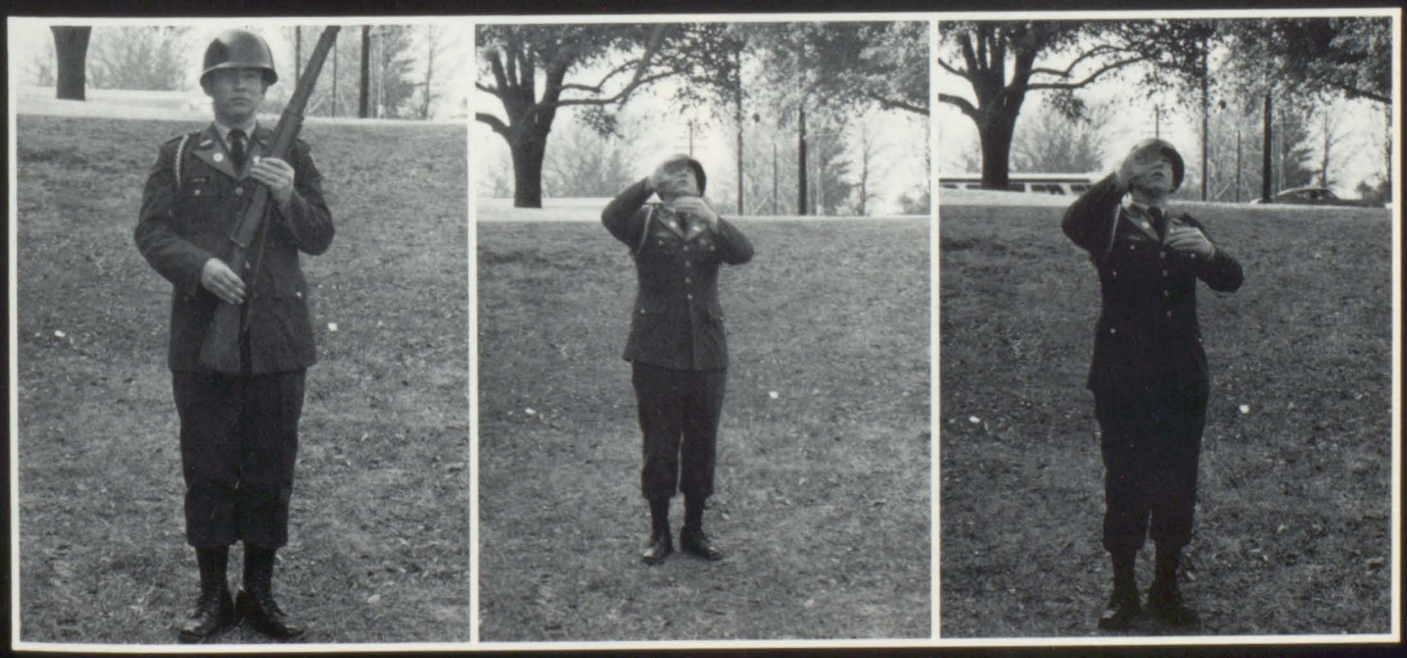
Kem Smelser - Sr.
Letterman II

Ricky Parker - Soph.
Letterman I

R.O.T.C.

Through discipline and hard work, the members of R.O.T.C. gained self-respect. Many times one could hear the sounds of ''Hup! Two! Three! Four!'' outside the classroom windows. The type of training these students received at Byrd enabled them to continue in a military career. The perfection of shooting and marching skills was shown by the many awards won by the R.O.T.C. companies.

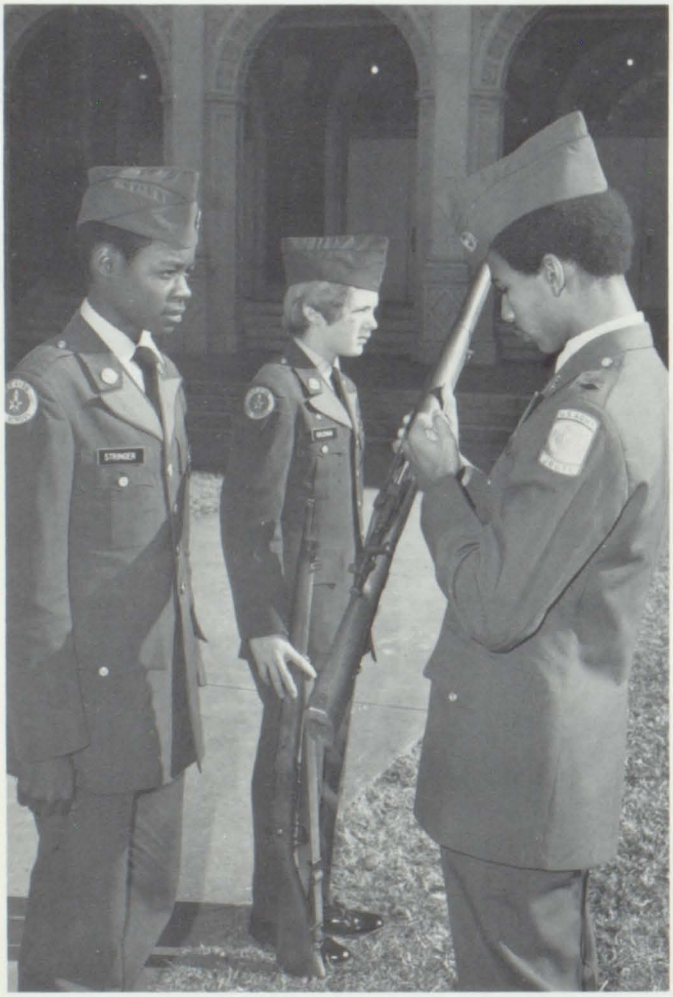
TOP: Mattie Garza was the star for the hilarious margarine commercial in the GO WEST DAY assembly. MIDDLE: Bravo Company saluted the flag of the United States. BOTTOM: Ronnie Lawson twirled his rifle during drill team practice after school.
OPPOSITE PAGE: Mack Stewart led the battalion in a marching exercise.



ALPHA COMPANY Worked

Alpha Company members were: Charles Rodriguez, Rendall Walker, Christine Ruffins, and Robert Nelson.

First Platoon members were: FRONT ROW: Jackie Moss, Ganene Jordan, Margie Farmer, Darlene Toal, Arrick Mills. SECOND ROW: Mike Owens, Ronald Wilson, Ronnie Stafford. THIRD ROW: Joan Galloway, Cynthia Target, Ivory Houston, Michael Clawson.



Battalion commander Mack Stewart inspected Byron Stringer's rifle.

P.F.C. Mike Owens demonstrated the proper way to execute a push-up.

Hard to Achieve Perfection

The Battalion staff members were: Mattie Garza, Patti Phillips, Laura Lodato, and Billy Doane.

"A Company, A TEN-Shun!" was shouted by Charles Rodriguez, company commander, during the early morning hours. Each day, 2nd Lieutenant Charles Rodriguez, with the assistance of Christine Ruffins, his executive officer, helped to perfect his company's military knowledge and drill precision. Cadets earned individual ribbons when they had completed all instructions and had made valuable contributions to the company. The year was climaxed when Federal Inspection came; Alpha Company proved to be in excellent condition. The two platoon leaders were Jackie Moss and Wanda Beasley.

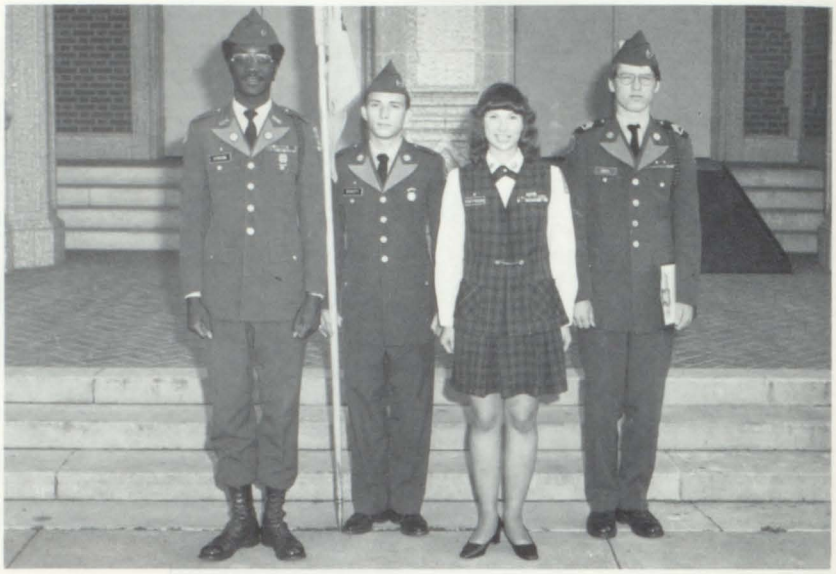
Second Lieutenant Charles Rodriguez inspected his company.

Charles Rodriguez was company commander and Mattie Garza, usher unit commander.

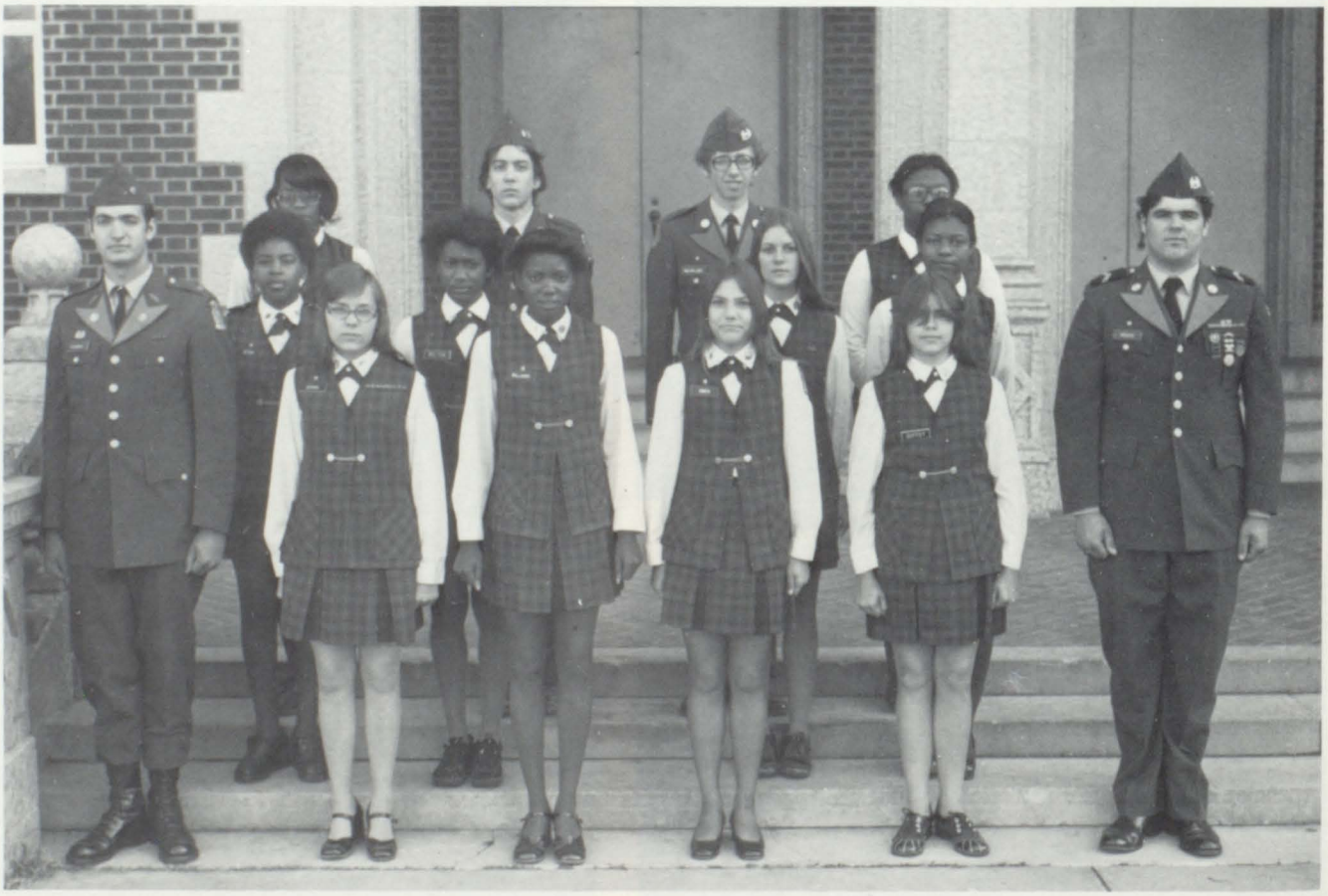
Second Platoon members were: FRONT ROW: Wanda Beasley, Tyrone Jamison, David Houston, Kenneth Moulton. SECOND ROW: Michael Harvey, Marilyn Smith, Danette Allen. THIRD ROW: Robert Wilson, Dan Ailstock, John Johnson, Terry Carrington.

BRAVO COMPANY'S Experience Helped

Commanding one of the largest R.O.T.C. companies at Byrd, Second Lieutenant Oliver Stinson proved able for the task of making his company act as "one." Each day's work on the parade field improved the company's experience and precision. Ribbons and promotions were used as incentive for action above and beyond the "call of duty." The work - marching, practicing, and more marching - was a preparation for the all important Federal Inspection in which the entire battalion was inspected for precision, tact, and knowledge. The other officers were Donna Hoffman, company X-O, and the platoon leaders, James Fitgerald and Frank Minion.



The company staff consisted of 2nd Lieutenant Oliver Stinson, company commander Eric Bikitt, Flag bearer Donna Hoffman, Executive officer and 1st Sergeant Jimmy Creel.



Members of the First Platoon were: FRONT ROW: James Fitzgerald, platoon leader; Lavonda Byers, Judy Williams, Christy Owen, Cindy Duffey, Gary Rivard, platoon sergeant. SECOND ROW: Teresa Jeter, Donna Milton, Sharon Luttrell, Regina Patton. THIRD ROW: Ramona Jamerson, Matthew Moore, Gary McFarland, Gloria Maiff.

Them to Excel at Federal Inspection

Cadet Randall Long demonstrated one of the favorite R.O.T.C.'s physical exercises for developing the upper body.

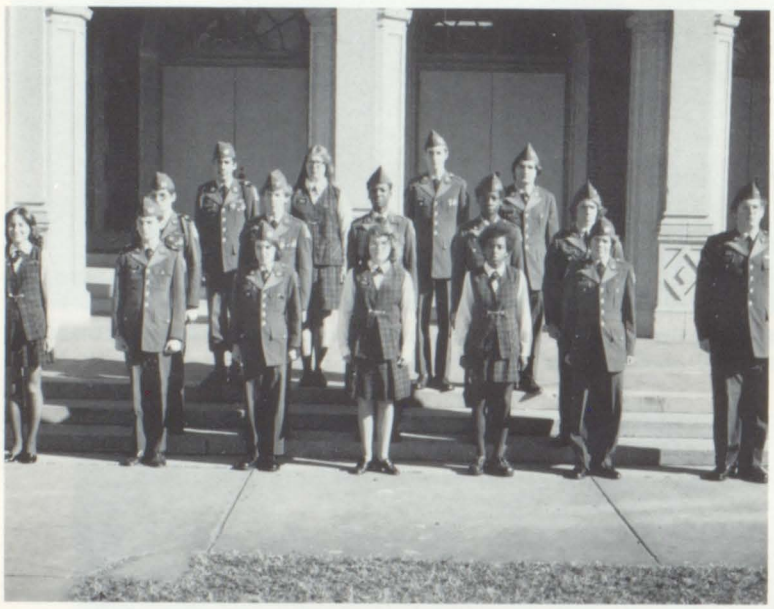
Battalion staff members were: 1st Lieutenant, Linda Adger; 2nd Lieutenant, John Long; 2nd Lieutenant, Joey D'Amato; and Corporal Mike Payne.

Steve Coleman and Byron Stringer cleaned rifles as 2nd Lieutenant John Long inspected them.

Sergeant David Yerton issued uniforms from the equipment room.

Members of the Second Platoon were: FRONT ROW: Second Lieutenant, Frank Minion; Grace Bobitt, Sandra Jeter, Barbara Coney, John Wiese. SECOND ROW: Randall Long, Byron Stringer, John Johnson, Steve Coleman.

CHARLIE COMPANY Gained



First Platoon members were: FRONT ROW: Lisa Chamberlain, Jason Clark, Gerald Hunt, Karen Franks, Sandra Jeter, Glen Fathere, Steve Tisza. SECOND ROW: Steve D'Amato, Mark Gras, Gregory Jones, Carl Reynolds, Billy Noble. THIRD ROW: Martin Ezermack, Brenda Norman, Jim Graham, Walter McCurry.

Robert King demonstrated a one arm push-up.

Battalion staff members were: Valera Robinson, John Young, Debbie Hoffman, Jimmy Young, Pam Phillips.

Second Lieutenant John Long, executive officer, inspected as Martin Ezermack tallied demerits.

Knowledge From G.I. Sheets

Charlie Company's staff members were: Georganna Henry, Gary Gras, John Long, and Mike McMillon.

Charlie Company practiced hard and long in its quest for the "Best Company" ribbon. Under the command of 1st Lieutenant Georganna Henry, the cadets of Charlie Company improved daily. They were questioned about the General Information sheet given to them at the beginning of the year. On the G.I. sheet, there were items such as the General Orders, the characteristics of the M-16 rifle and the 45 caliber pistol, the eight steady hold factors, the basic colors of a map and what they stood for, the four staff positions, and the procedures of giving first aid. The executive officer was John Long. The platoon leaders were Lisa Chamberlain and David Robinson.

Second platoon members were: FRONT ROW: Mitchell Tatum, Sandra Bryer, Don Totton. SECOND ROW: Jerry Davis, Gloria Murff, David Robinson. THIRD ROW: Warren Boone, Tim Moxley.

Lisa Chamberlain saluted Lieutenant Colonel Mack Stewart before she answered his question.

H-COMPANY Perfected Military Skills

Headquarters Company was fortunate in having one of the two Lieutenant Colonels in Byrd's R.O.T.C. battalion as their company commander. Because she was acting as battalion commander last year, Kathy Harriss retained her rank. With the able assistance of executive officer, P.F.C. Jimmie Young, she helped to mold Headquarters Company into a fine company. Through enthusiasm and hard work, Headquarters got through the sweat and pressure of Federal Inspection. The platoon leader was P.F.C. Sharon Luttrell.

The company staff consisted of: Lieutenant Colonel Kathy Harris, company commander; Gerry Cryer, Jimmie Young.

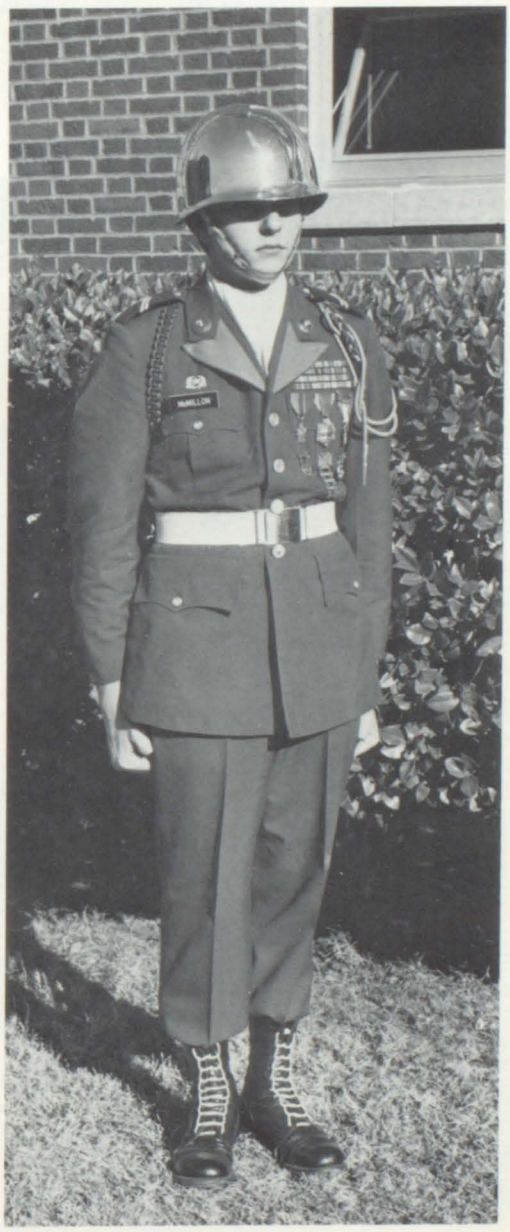
The company members were: FRONT ROW: Sharon Luttrell, platoon sergeant; Ola Smith, Sandra Wynn, Lori Cryer, Jennifer Ford, Dennis McKee, platoon leader. SECOND ROW: Pinkie Hill, Charlie Wiggins, Janice Police, Freda Williams, Nancy Long. THIRD ROW: Robert Gras, Katherine Nagel, Barronette Rawls, Robert Bain, Phil Jones. FOURTH ROW: Tom McKissiel, John Wyatt, Annetta Johns, Bruno Hull.

COLOR GUARD Displayed U.S. Flag

The color guard performed at many of the home football games.

Consisting of the most elite members of R.O.T.C., the Color Guard performed at assemblies, home football games, and special events around the city. The Color Guard provided inspiration for the students by carrying the United States flag, a symbol of our fight for liberty and our growth to what we are now. The Color Guard was led by Mike McMillian and Mike Payne.

The elite color guard members were: Debbie Hoffman, Mike McMillon, Mike Payne, and Pam Phillips.

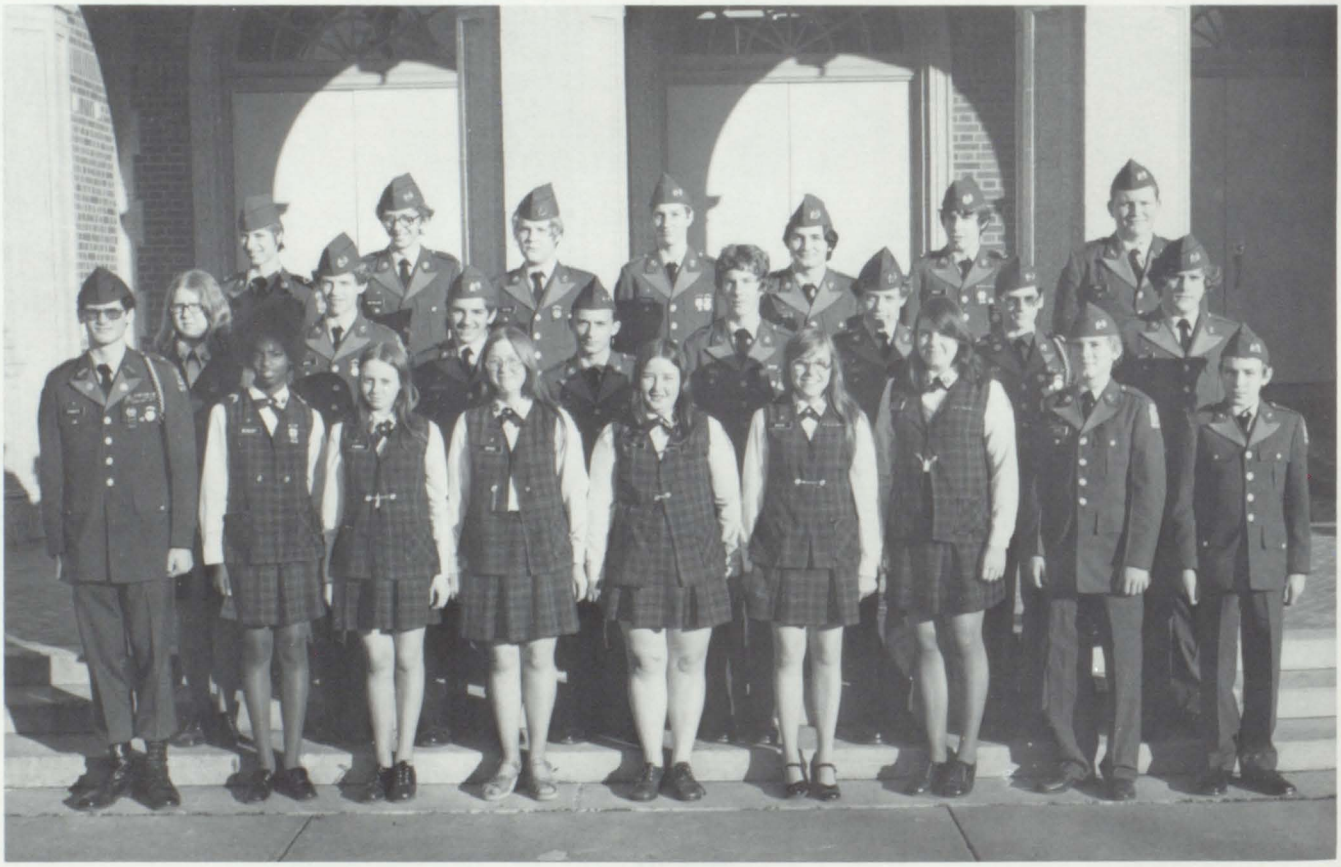


The color guard commander was Staff Sergeant Mike McMillon.

USHER UNIT Seated the Audience

Commanded by First Lieutenant Mattie Garza, the 1976-1977 Usher Unit was active at the football games, Shrine Circus, and the annual Spaghetti supper. They helped to organize the crowds and provide a quick efficient means of seating them properly. The cadets earned merits for each scheduled activity they had attended. In this way, cadets accumulated merits, which in turn, earned them ribbons and rank. The unit consisted of mainly first and second year R.O.T.C. cadets. This year's unit was one of the largest.

Usher Unit commander was Mattie Garza.

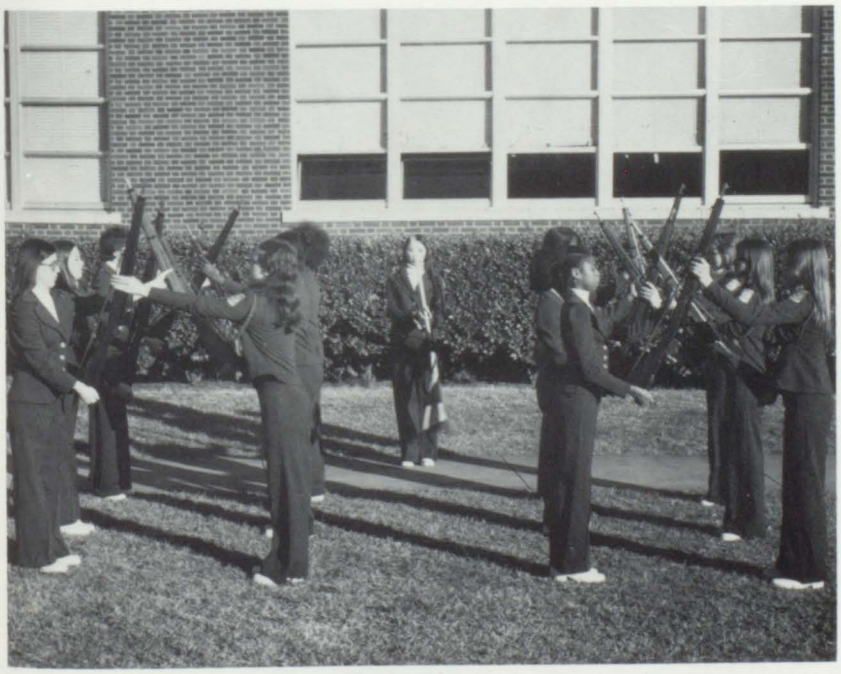


The Usher Unit members were: FRONT ROW: Joey D'Amato, Wanda Beasley, Margie Farmer, Lori Cryer, Darlene Toal, Lavonda Byers, Nancy Marilyn Long, Robert Bain, Kenneth Moulton. SECOND ROW: Brenda Norman, Mark Gras, Terry Carrington, Eric Birkitt, Gerry Cryer, Gary Gras, Steve D'Amato, Robert Gras. THIRD ROW: Rendall Walker, Gary McFarland, Don Totton, Jim Graham, Walter McCurry, Mike Prest, Larry Vines.

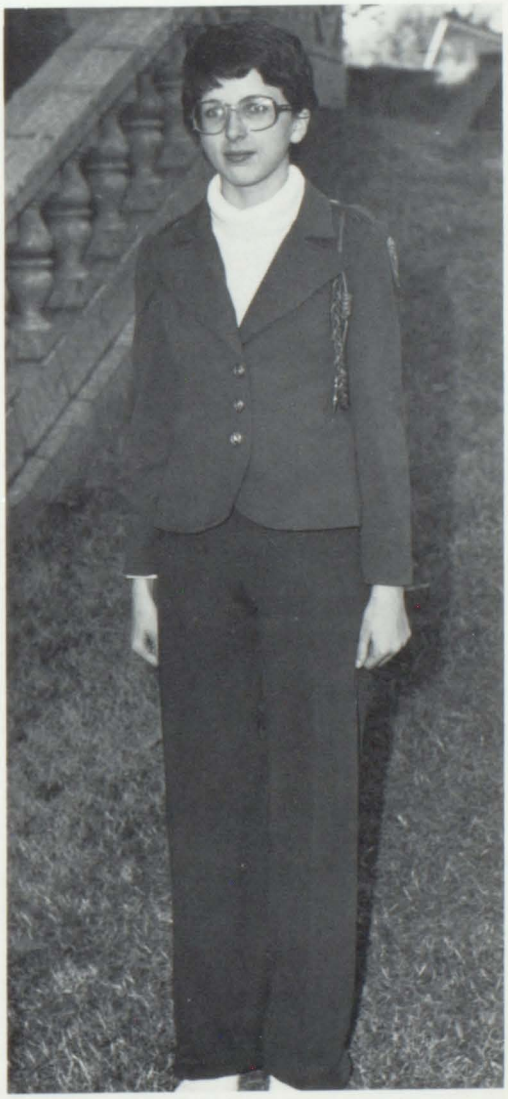
QUEEN ANNE Won Many Honors

FRONT ROW: Debbie Harvey, Jackie Moss, Christy Owen, and Kathy Harris. SECOND ROW: Ramona Jamerson, Sonja Owens, Margie Farmer, and Janice Police. THIRD ROW: Mattie Garza, Wanda Beasley, Regina Patton, and Sandra Wynn.

Although only organized in September of 1973, the Queen Anne Drill Team has won many honors. Its eighteen girls, led by Major Patty Phillips, performed numerous routines and marching techniques in preparation for competition - only after many long hours of practice after school. During these few years, Queen Anne Drill Team has compiled three 1st place trophies at city-wide meets, two 2nd place trophies at Holiday in Dixie, and two 1st place and two 2nd place trophies at Many, Louisiana.



Queen Anne Drill Team performed one of the many routines, a cross exchange.



The Queen Anne Drill Team's commander was Patti Phillips.

GEORGE S. PATTON Platoon

"Drill Team! Forward . . . MARCH!" was a frequently commanded order shouted by 1st Lieutenant Billy Doane, Drill Team Commander. Organized in 1952, the George S. Patton Precision Drill Team consisted of the highest disciplined male cadets of Byrd's R.O.T.C.'s battalion. Through hours of constant practice after school, the cadets were able to perfect their sharp drill movements. This year, the George S. Patton Platoon took 1st place in the Many Christmas Parade and 2nd place in the Leesville Parade.

The drill team practiced daily after school.

The Patton Platoon Commander was Cadet 1st Lieutenant Billy Doane.

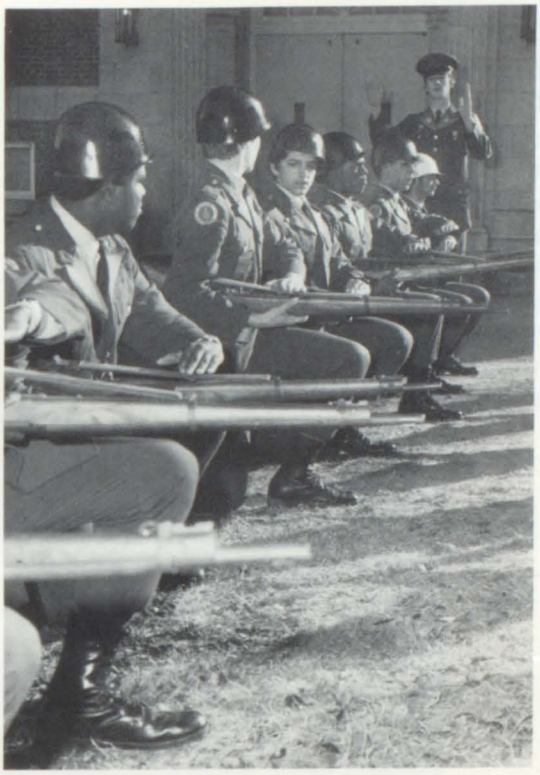
The drill team members were: FRONT ROW: Ronnie Lawson, Mike McMillon, Mack Stewart, Oliver Stinson. SECOND ROW: Charles Rodriguez, John Long, Mitchell Tatum. THIRD ROW: Warren Boone, Terry Carrington, Tyrone Jamison. FOURTH ROW: Arrick Mills, Byron Stringer, Ivory Houston. FIFTH ROW: Tim Moxley, Carl Reynolds, Michael Harvey.

Won First Place at Many

The drill team executed a diagonal exchange.

The drill team practiced the two row ripple in preparation for a drill meet.

First Lieutenant Billy Doane commanded his platoon to perform a double to the rear routine.



Commander Billy Doane instructed his platoon to ". . . secure ARMS!"

In anticipation of the upcoming Federal Inspection, Charles Rodriguez inspected the Patton Platoon.

Byrd's RIFLE TEAM Fired

Winning five of seven major competitions placed the Rifle Team into the finals of the Region III R.O.T.C. Intercollegiate and Interscholastic indoor rifle match. The Rifle Team had its highest composite score in eight years against Northwood scoring 1,221 points. Second Lieutenant Joey D'Amato was A-Team commander. Sgt. Johnny Wiese was B-Team commander. The Director of Marksmanship was First Lieutenant Valera Robinson.

Joey D'Amato, A-Team Commander

Johnny Wiese, B-Team Commander

Each day rifle team members practiced. Shown here are: Rendall Walker, prone; Gary Cryer, kneeling; and John Long, standing.

Equipment used by the Rifle Team was valued at over eighteen hundred dollars.

Rifle Team members, Larry Vines, Brenda Norman, Lori Cryer, with the help of sponsor LTC William Teal, tallied their scores.

Its Best in Eight Years

"B" Team members of the rifle team were: FRONT ROW: Gary Cryer, Eric Birkett, Rendall Walker, Mark Gras, and Gary Gras. SECOND ROW: Johnny Wiese, James Graham, Valera Robinson, Debbie Hoffman, and Bob Gras.

"A" Team members of the rifle team were: FRONT ROW: Steve D'Amato, Martin Ezernack, Charles Rodriquez. SECOND ROW: Joey D'Amato, David Long.

Other members of the rifle team were: FRONT ROW: Don Totton, Larry Vines, Mike Prest. SECOND ROW: Brenda Norman, Lori Cryer.

NCO CLUB Provided Future Officers

Under the sponsorship of Sergeant David Yerton, the Non-Commissioned Officers Club was responsible for raising money for other R.O.T.C. activities. The club prepared cadets for future officers' positions by teaching them the values of being a leader. It provided the kind of officers needed to promote efficient, disciplined, effective staff for the next year's battalion. The N.C.O. Club proved to be a positive advantage in a cadet's extra-curricular activities. The cadets in the NCO club advanced faster in rank than others did.

Battalion Sergeant Major Debbie Harvey collected dues from Debbie Hoffman.

Joan Galloway demonstrated parade rest.

NCO club members were: FRONT ROW: Debbie Harvey, Debbie Hoffman, Wanda Beasley. SECOND ROW: Martin Ezerrack, Robert Nelson, Steve D'Amato, Mike Payne. THIRD ROW: Mike McMillon, Tim Moxley, Steve Tisza, Warren Boone.

OFFICERS CLUB Sponsored Field Day

Mack Stewart

Kathy Harris

In addition to a field day for students of local junior high schools interested in joining R.O.T.C., the Officers planned and organized the annual military ball. The club consisted of officers ranging in rank from second lieutenant to a lieutenant colonel. The unity and team work necessary for accomplishing established goals were provided by the promotion of cooperation between officers and subordinates.

Patti Phillips

Billy Doane

Mattie Garza

Georganna Henry

Valera Robinson

Lisa Chamberlain

Joey D'Amato

Laura Lodato

John Long

Sonja Owens

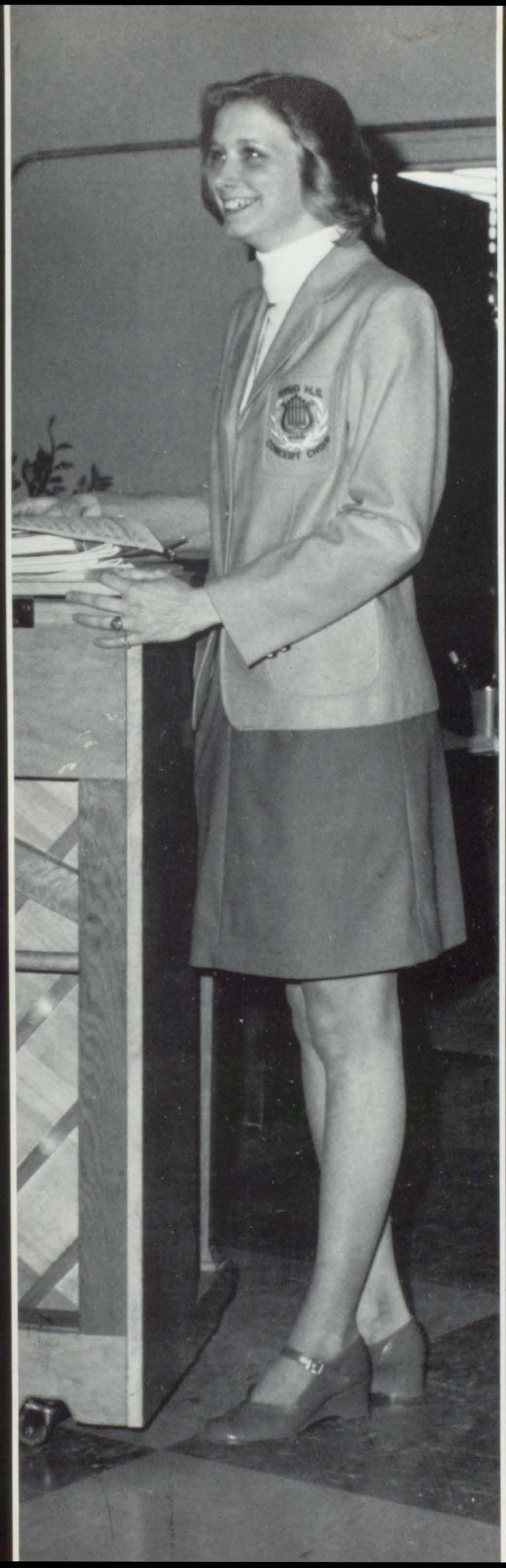
David Robinson

Charles Rodriguez

Oliver Stinson

The sounds of Byrd were heard from the students of the music department. Members of the choir, band, and orchestra learned to appreciate classical as well as contemporary music. The band played and danced well, the choir sang clearly, and the orchestra gave a beautiful concert for Heidi Bruner. Byrd was very proud of its music department.

TOP: The band gave an excellent performance at the Jesuit game. MIDDLE: At the B.T.W. assembly, the Tubas displayed their dancing ability. BOTTOM: Viet Pham practiced the violin every day.
OPPOSITE PAGE: Cathy Pyle sang a solo in the choir room.



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CHOIR Brought Pleasure

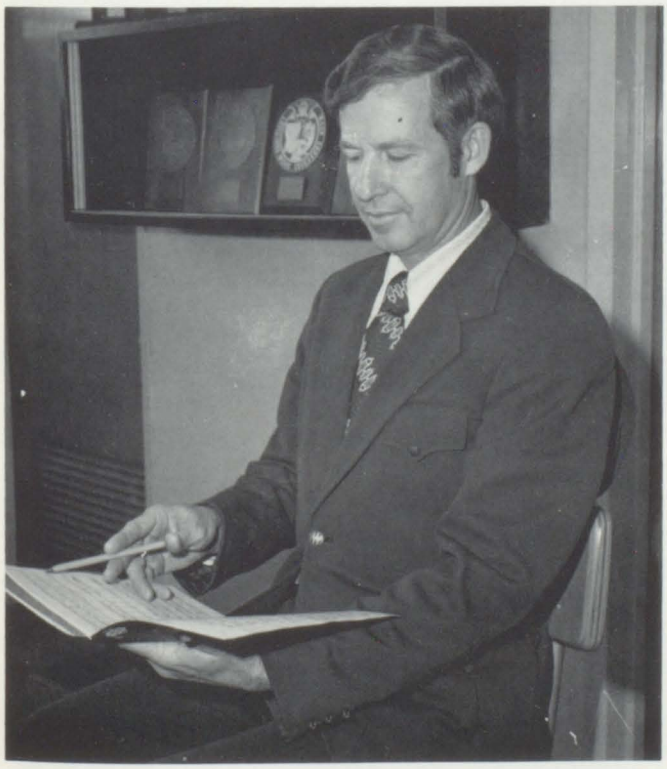
The Byrd High School concert choir, under the direction of Mr. James Sullivan, dedicated many hard hours of practice to achieve excellence. Wearing a new look in uniforms, the choir held various activities. At Christmas, they held an invitational concert for homerooms. The choir served the community by singing at numerous nursing homes and at the Veterans Hospital. In February, these girls attended the District Festival at Bossier High School and won several superior ratings. Four of them won superiors in solo singing. The choir, one of the oldest organizations at Byrd, brought pleasure to the students and helped serve the community.

Kim Nealy, pianist for the choir, played at the Christmas concert.

Members were: FRONT ROW: Eileen Nance, Catherine Ashley, Ramonna Griffith, Lisa Huddleston. SECOND ROW: Mary Ann Tanner, Kathy Bonvillion, Grace Bobbitt, June Harriss, Gloria Palmer. THIRD ROW: Kim Gafford, Angela Griffith, Cathy Pyle, Valerie Toliver.

to Many

Officers were: Eileen Nance, Vice-President; Valerie Toliver, President; Kim Gafford, Robe Chairman; Lisa Huddleston, Secretary.



Mr. James Sullivan, Director, looked over the music score.

Gloria Palmer and June Harris checked the calendar for coming events.

CHOIR Excelled in Performance

First sopranos were: Valerie Toliver, Angela Griffith, Lisa Huddleston, and Cathy Pyle.

Second sopranos were: Grace Bobbitt, Valerie Toliver, Kathy Bonvillion, and Gloria Palmer.

Valerie Toliver chose the music to be performed at the Veterans Hospital.

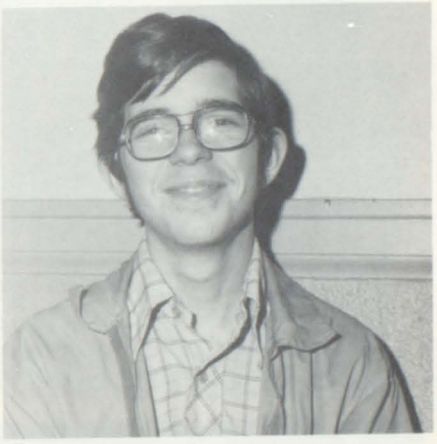
Altos were: Eileen Nance, Catherine Ashley, Mary Ann Tanner, Kim Gafford, and Angie Griffith.

Musicians Strove for Honors

Members of the Governor's Honor Band were Steve Malone, Ramona Jamerson, and Margaret Dornbusch.

A great many musicians at Byrd worked at perfecting their skills in order to compete for state music honors. Those students trying out for All-State Orchestra were required to play a solo piece at district tryouts and were later chosen by the state chairman. In November, they performed for the L.T.A. Convention in New Orleans. Members of the Governor's Honor Band were chosen by their band director to perform for the Governor in Baton Rouge. The All-Star marching band members were nominated by their band director and were later selected by officials in Baton Rouge to march in the All-Star football game.

All-Star Marching Band members were Steve Malone, Sherri Burleigh, Margaret Dornbush, and Brooks Ray.



Tim Eaton was a member of the All-State Chorus.

All-State Orchestra members were Vance Burns, Margaret Dornbusch, Viet Quan Pham, Louise LaFitte, Denise Guckert, Artis Jones, Lynn Deason, Laurie Davidson and Felton Harris.

ORCHESTRA Played the

The 1976-77 orchestra had many outstanding points of interest. Students participated in the Shreveport Youth Symphony and played in the All-State Orchestra which was held in New Orleans.

The conductor, Mr. Claude Corbett, has dedicated many years in directing and supporting the orchestra. For many years the orchestra has entered the district festival. It also played for many activities during the 1976-77 school year.

Viet Quan Pham, concert-master of the Byrd orchestra, was also a member of the Shreveport Symphony.

Mr. Claude Corbett acknowledged the audience's appreciation of the orchestra's concert given in memory of Heidi Bruner.

The 1976-1977 Byrd High School Orchestra.

Classical Sound

CELLOS AND BASSES: FIRST ROW: Tom McLeod, Denise Guckert, Felton Harrison, Phil Jones, Matt Hirsch. SECOND ROW: Louise Lafitte, Artis Jones.

Tim Eaton, student conductor of the orchestra, directed the orchestra during their concert.

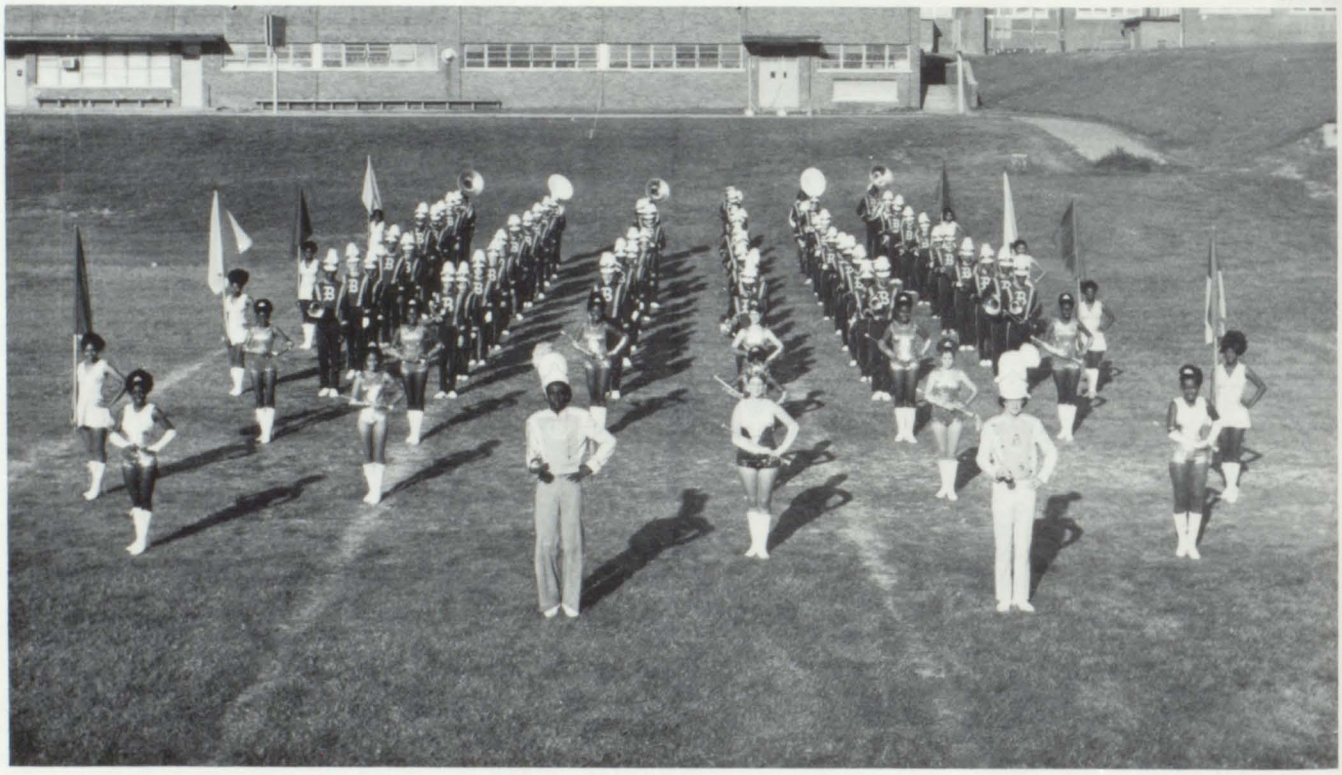
VIOLINS AND VIOLAS: FIRST ROW: Jane Politz, Cynthis Target, Joan Galloway, Laura Flowers, Laurie Davison, Kathy Eichler, Mary Jane Minor, Leigh Anne Kreeger, Nina McCombs. SECOND ROW: Pam Risher, Anita Moon, Harriet Boddie, Doris Franks, Mamie Farley, Carolyn Jones, Mary Courtney, Vance Burns, Steve Williams, Alice Simmons, Lynn Deason, Viet Quan Pham, Charles Rodriquez.

PERCUSSION AND WINDS: FIRST ROW: Chris DeFatta, Margaret Dornbush, Lyda Hazzard, Burton Smith, Alice Gednetz, Joanne Frybarger, Alicia Briney, Jan Rodwell, Tim Eaton. SECOND ROW: Gary Mathews, Hank Halk, Greg DeFatta, Kim Nealy, Janet Kozak, Kim Robbins, Chuck Flynn, Andy Hodges, Holace Bain, Donald Bruner, John Walker, Mark Robbins.

Spirit Was Sparked

Through hard work and many hours of practice "The Purple and Gold Band from Jacket Land" helped to promote the undying spirit of Byrd. Under the direction of Mr. Roosevelt Shields, the band performed in over six parades and over five festivals. The band also participated in the Christmas and Spring Concerts. The band played in every pep rally, and they added interest to the half-time performances with their excellent marching. Through the year the band proved they are still the best in the land.

The band marched in time to the beat of the music.

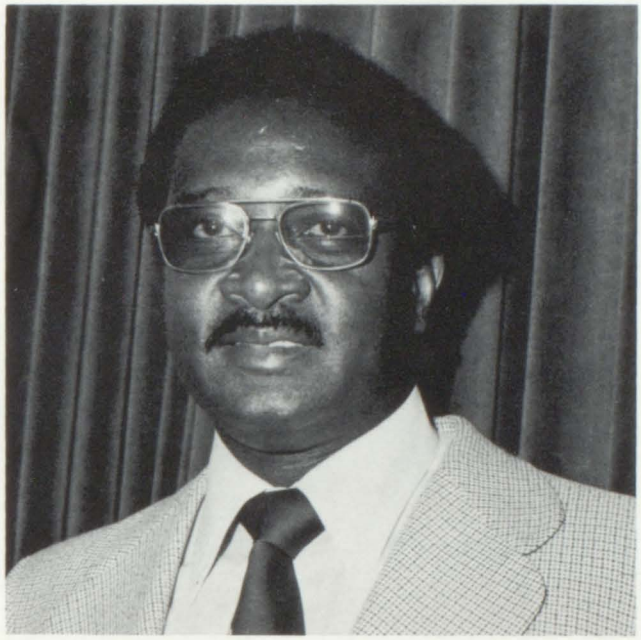


The 1976-77 Marching Band

The sounds of the band from "Jacket Land" filled the air.

by the BAND

The tubas performed their own kind of marching.



Mr. Roosevelt Shields directed the band.

The band performed during a football game.

The 1976-77 Concert Band.

Musical Sounds

Steve Malone, Assistant Drum Major, and Melvin LaCour, Drum Major

The Band officers for 1977 were: FIRST ROW: Kathy Harris, Drill Sgt.; Diana Abney, Drill Sgt. SECOND ROW: Brunson Johnson, Second Lt.; Dwight Swiney, Band Captain; Tyrone Payton, First Lt.

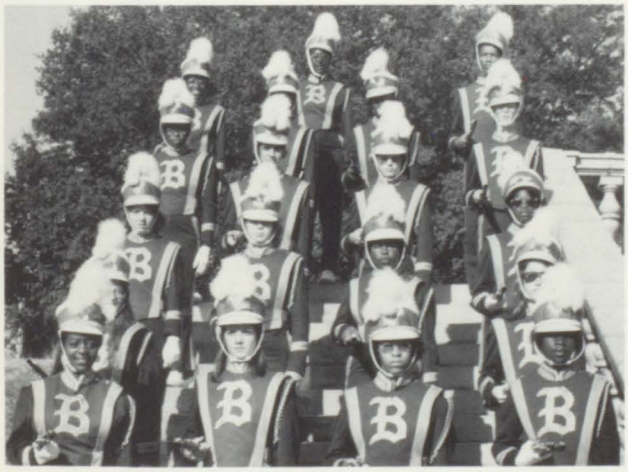
Stageband: Piano: Robby Wise, John Houston. Saxophone: Robert Bonnette, Brunson Johnson, Lucky Smith, Sophia Davis, Dominic Yanez, Randolph Scott. Trombone: Steve Malone, Paul Taylor, Carranza Johns, Wanda Beasly. Bass: Burton Smith, Ed Drewry, Frank Messina. Trumpet: Brooks Ray, Ramona Emanuel, Michael Jones, Dwight Swiney. Drums: Cedrick Green, Chris DeFatta, Mike Owens.

The drummers helped set the beat in the half-time performances.

Filled the Air

Twirlers: FIRST ROW: Sherri Burleigh. SECOND ROW: Veronica Powell, Annette Hart. THIRD ROW: Bobbie Ivy, Kay McMillon. FOURTH ROW: Cindy Martin, Anita Majors. FIFTH ROW: Nelwyn Coleman, Christians Hodge. SIXTH ROW: Marilyn Smith, Joan Gallaway. SEVENTH ROW: Joyce Warren.

Flag girls: FIRST ROW: Pauline Cooper. SECOND ROW: Ladonna Theus, Treadia Birdsong. THIRD ROW: Twone Cooper, Vicki Stephenson. FOURTH ROW: Angela O'Bannon, Deborah Morrison. FIFTH ROW: Ginetta Williams.



Woodwinds: The Clarinets: FIRST ROW: Vickey Wilson, Kathy Harris, Diana Abney, Brenda Jacobs. SECOND ROW: Sandy LaGrone, Janette Fox. THIRD ROW: Rebecca Price, Tumell Pockett. FOURTH ROW: Ann Bowman, Wanda Beasly. FIFTH ROW: Robby Wise, Steve D'Amato. SIXTH ROW: Ramona Jamerson, Roger Hill. SEVENTH ROW: Carmen Payne, Jacqueline Johnson. EIGHTH ROW: Theresa Logan, Carl Lafallais, Wanda Elzie.

At half-time the band really moved to their music.

BAND Maintained Jacket

Woodwinds: FIRST ROW: Robert Tanner, Joey D'Amato. SECOND ROW: Rosie Flemming, Rosheda Wallace, Cornelia Payton, Sylvia Jackson. THIRD ROW: Keith Woodley, Donna Atkisson, Venessa Harris, Carolyn Coleman. FOURTH ROW: Jacqueline Payton, Dan Ailstock, Dominic Yanez, Roy Lester. FIFTH ROW: Gerald McDaniel, Eric Warren, Melvin Blackwell. SIXTH ROW: Jeffery Davis, Randolph Scott, Robert Bonnette, Brunson Johnson.

Trombones and Baritones: FIRST ROW: Travis Cooper, Jerry Reynold, Paul Taylor, Charlie Paul, David Beasley, Steve Malone, John Mason, Larry Harris.

Trumpets: FIRST ROW: Charles Loftin. SECOND ROW: Bobby Whalen, Ramona Emanual. THIRD ROW: Steven Henry, Bryant Shields. FOURTH ROW: Tyrone Payton, Robert Tanner. FIFTH ROW: Brooks Ray, Joey D'Amato.

Spirit the Whole Year

Band students added a lot to the assembly when playing the national anthem.

Tubas: Dwight Swiney, Frank Minion III, Sredni Autrey, Zebbie Thomas, Michael Nelson.

Percussion: Charles Mitchell, Mike Jones, Kenneth Harris, Margaret Dornbusch, Mike Owens, Ricky Minion.

BAND Royalty Received Honors

The Band Royalty Court recognized eight members of the band for their outstanding contributions to the band and other school activities.

They were: Kathy Harris, Queen; Tyrone Payton, King; Diana Abney, Princess; Roy Lester, Prince; Sylvia Jackson, Duchess; Travis Cooper, Duke; Jeanette Fox, Lady; Michael Terry, Lord.

Queen Kathy Harris played first clarinet in the marching and concert bands and was a member of the R.O.T.C.

King Tyrone Payton played the trumpet in the stage and marching bands, and Concert Band. He was a member of the Honor Society as well as being a Band Lieutenant.

Queen Kathy Harris
King Tyrone Payton

Princess Diana Abney
Prince Roy Lester

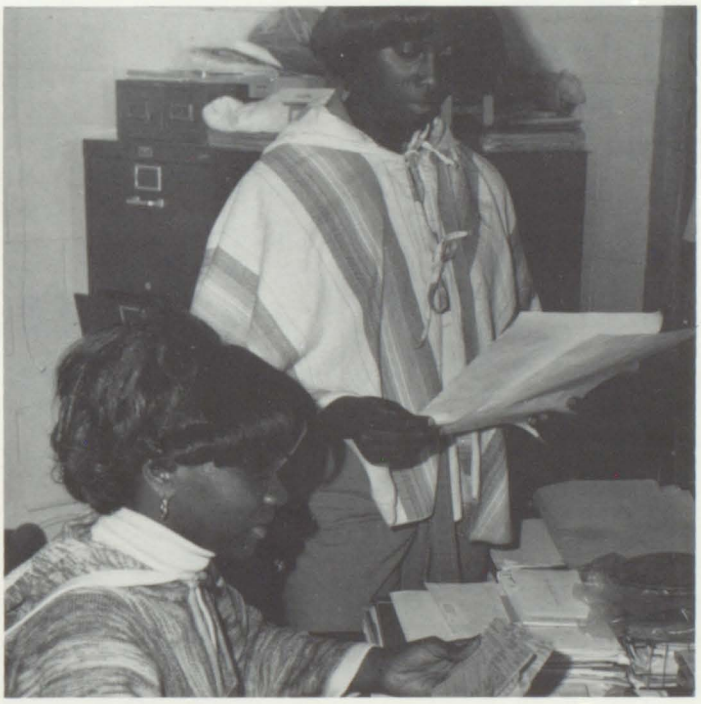
Duchess Sylvia Jackson
Duke Travis Cooper

Lady Jeanette Fox
Lord Michael Terry

BAND Members Worked Diligently

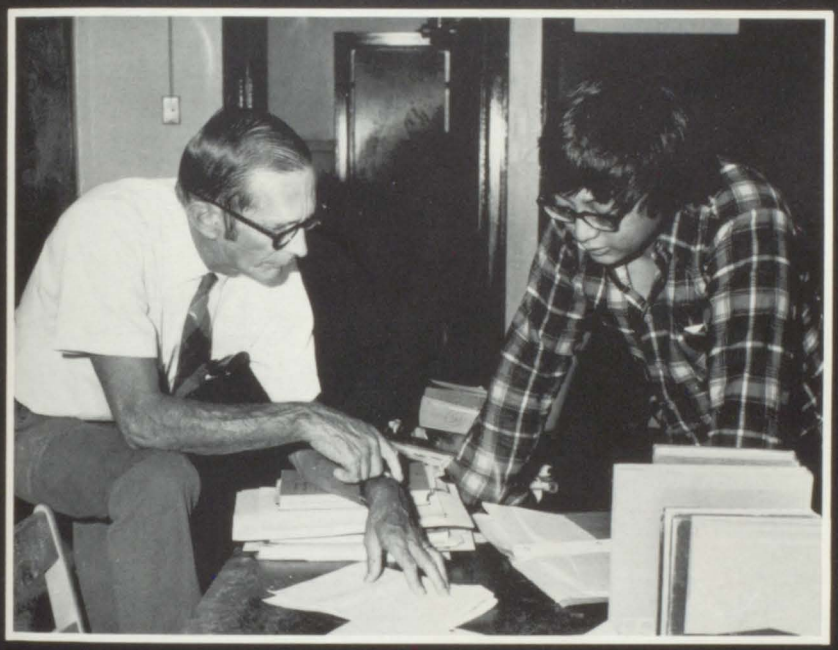
The hours spent practicing added up when the band presented their performance at half-time.

Dwight Swiney, Zebbie Thomas, Michael Nelson, and Frank Minion worked hard loading the buses.



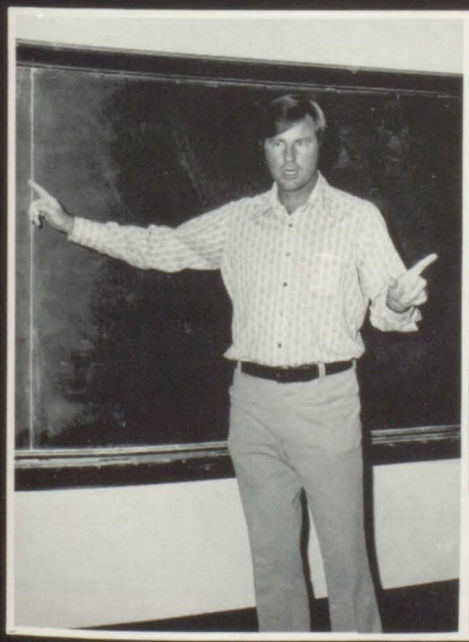
Pauline Cooper and Jacqueline Johnson took roll, typed, and did many other office jobs.

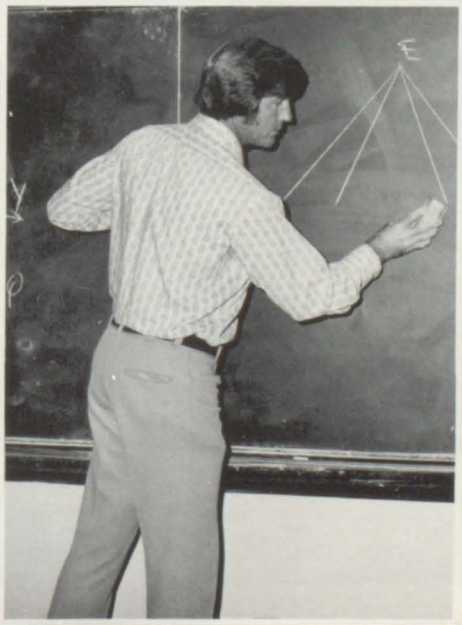
FACULTY

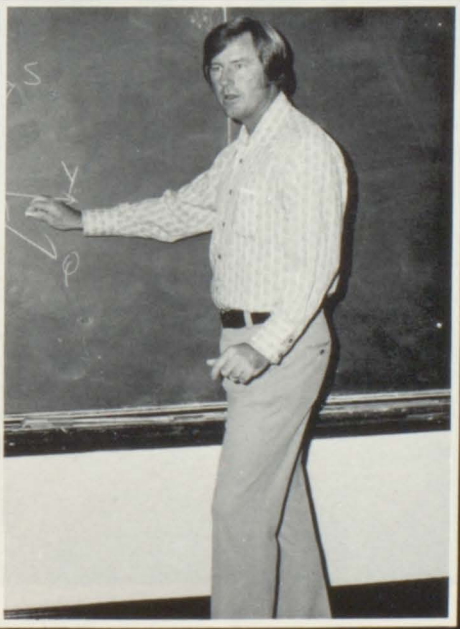


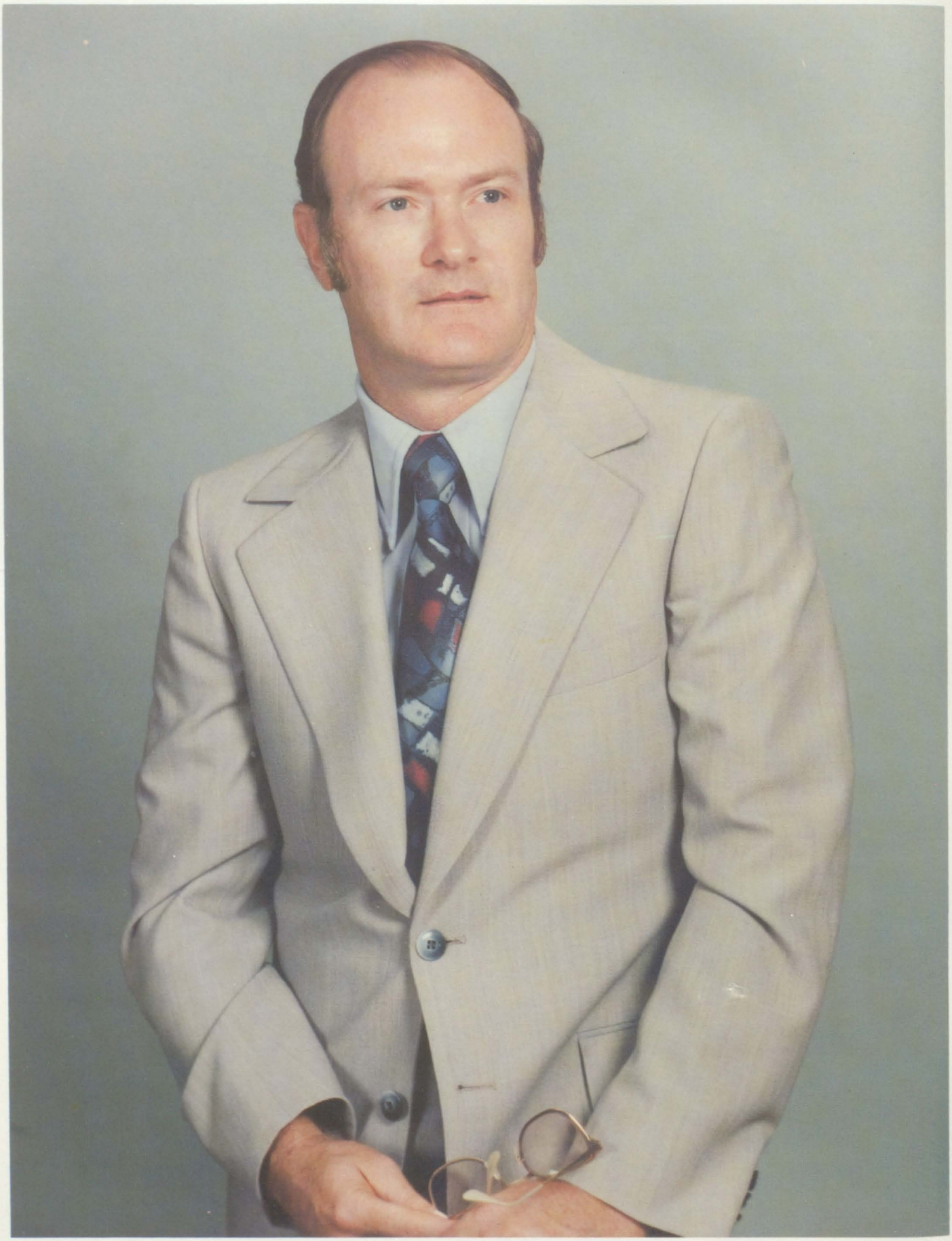
Dedication, skill, and patience were the contributions of the faculty. The classroom teacher guided each student on the road to maturity. Each teacher was the most important link in the chain of learning because he or she was the one who influenced the students steadily, day by day. Byrd was proud to have the finest of these educators.

TOP: Miss Margee Sanders explained the history of Haiku poetry. MIDDLE: Mr. Joe Dornier answered Tinyee Jue's question about an Advanced Math problem. BOTTOM: Mr. Johnny Harkness reviewed theorems which pertained to the congruency of triangles. OPPOSITE PAGE: Miss Barbara Whitehead made sure all of her students knew the election date of the President of the U.S.



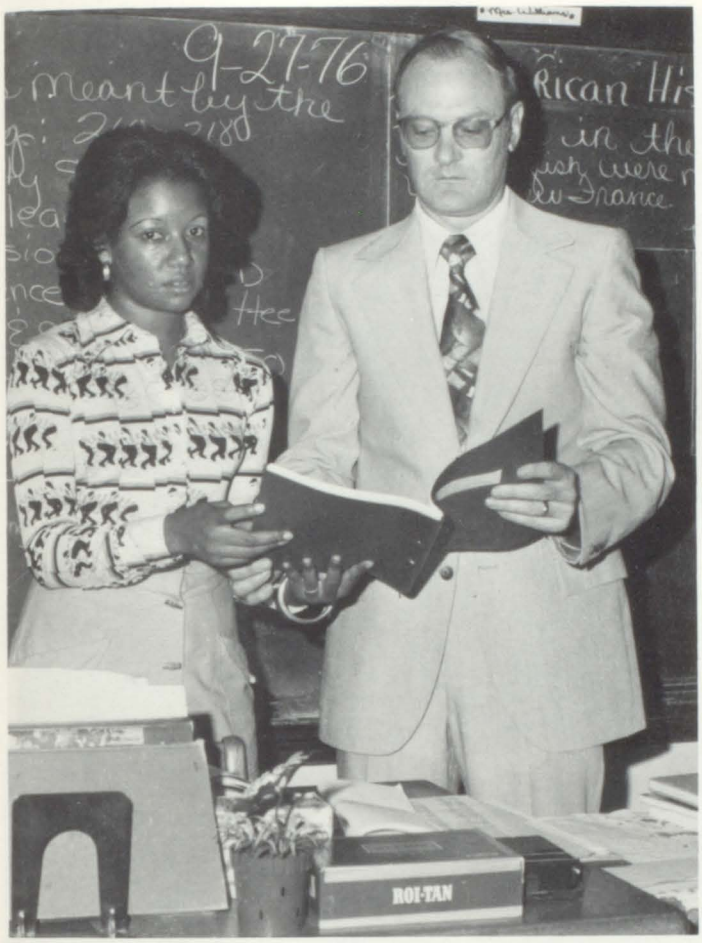






Dr. B. L. Shaw

Dr. B. L. Shaw Served as a Strong Leader



Dr. B. L. Shaw discussed some material in the Byrd Standard Operation Procedure Manual with Mrs. Barbara Williams.

As principal of C. E. Byrd, Dr. B. L. Shaw was responsible for the total coordination of all school activities. His dedication and devotion helped to keep the spirit and enthusiasm high with the students. His presence at football games and other athletic events and his efforts to become acquainted with the students helped him to come in closer contact with the student body. Dr. Shaw encouraged participation in extra-curricular activities and took an active part in supervising each activity. He carried on many time consuming activities which further proved his dedication to his job and to the City of Byrd.

Dr. Shaw and Miss Janice Davidson checked enrollment of students.

Mrs. Wintle Completed

Assistant Principal, Mary Clyde Wintle, completed her last year at Byrd during the school year 1976-77. Mrs. Wintle came to Byrd in December of 1948 after having taught at Broadmoor Jr. High for two years and having served as principal of Creswell for one year. After a leave of absence from 1952-57, Mrs. Wintle returned to Byrd as the first assistant principal in charge of academic curriculum. About fourteen years ago, Mrs. Wintle organized the first Humanities class and had it approved by the State Board of Education. Since then other schools have followed suit. Obtaining substitutes, ordering supplies and books, and supervising teachers were among Mrs. Wintle's duties. Mrs. Wintle earned her B.A. and her M.A. plus sixty hours at Kansas State College.

Byrd was as much to Mrs. Wintle as she was to Byrd and her familiar face will be missed in our halls in the coming years.

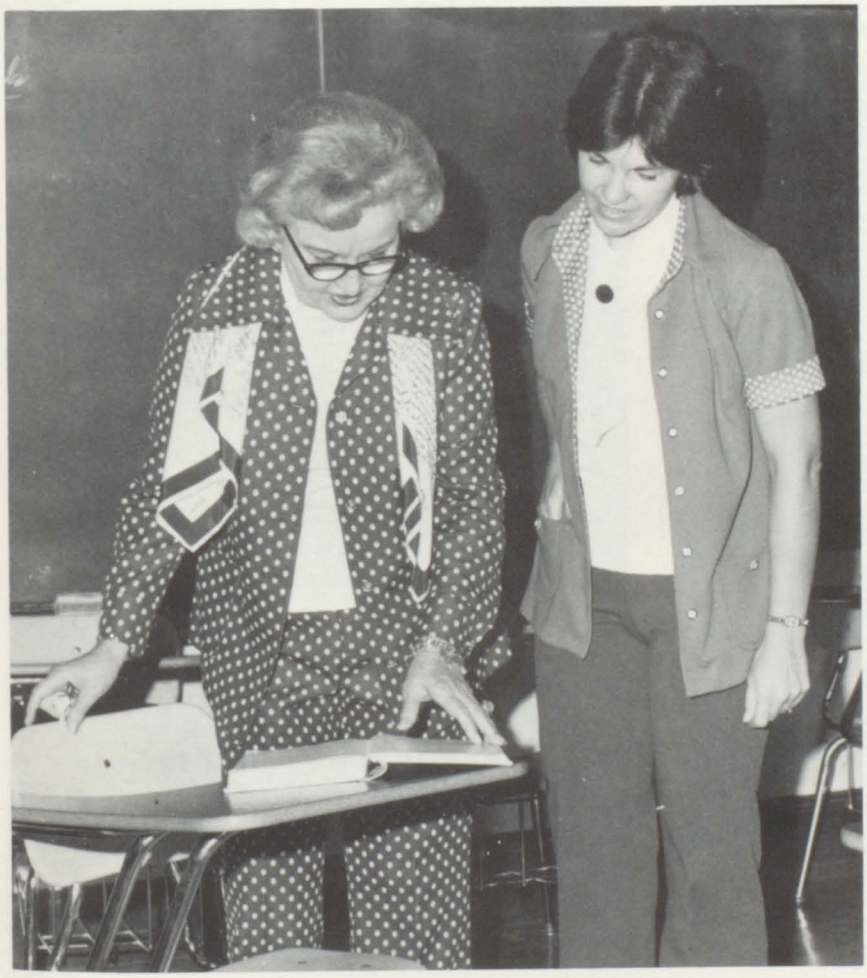
Mrs. Mary Clyde Wintle

Mrs. Wintle spent much time working at her desk.

Mrs. Wintle and her secretary, Mrs. L. W. Stevens, looked over some records.

Twenty-three Years at Byrd

Mrs. Wintle, Mrs. Mary McClanahan and Mrs. Hattie Bonner discussed the programs for inservice meetings.



Mrs. Wintle assisted a substitute teacher, Mrs. Barbara Landes.

Keeping an accurate count of textbooks was one of Mrs. Wintle's duties.

Mr. Wilson Devoted Much Time to Byrd

Serving as assistant principal in charge of student activities was Mr. George Wilson. A student advisory committee aided Mr. Wilson in supervising class elections. Mr. Wilson scheduled lunch shifts, and he did his part to keep Byrd at the top. Mr. Wilson received his B.S. degree from Grambling and his M.S. degree from the University of Southern California, and Bradley University.

Mr. George Wilson

Telephone contacts and conferences with parents filled much of Mr. Wilson's time.

Mr. Wilson answered a question about a student for Mrs. Dorothy Johnson.

Great Leadership Was Offered at Byrd

Mrs. Mary Clyde Wintle, Dr. B. L. Shaw and Mr. George Wilson coordinated plans for the school year.

Dr. B. L. Shaw announced National Merit semi-finalists at an assembly.

Mr. George Wilson spent part of his time scheduling assemblies and lunch shifts.

COUNSELORS and COORDINATORS

The counselors worked hard to meet the needs of the students at Byrd. The Freshman and Sophomore counselors helped the new students plan their schedules while Junior and Senior counselors helped Byrdites make college and career choices. Phasing and scheduling students were among the many important responsibilities of the counselors.

The coordinators worked to improve teaching methods. They helped with scheduling and phasing. The success of these coordinators is reflected in the fine quality of the Byrd High faculty.

MRS. JACQUALINE BARR - Having a B.S. in Business Education from Centenary, her M.Ed. in guidance and counseling from Northwestern State University plus 30 hours, Mrs. Barr was the sophomore counselor and the counselor for half the freshmen.

MISS JANICE DAVIDSON - Miss Davidson, the senior counselor, received her B.A. from Louisiana Tech and her M.Ed. from Northwestern State University plus 30 hours.

MRS. DOROTHY JOHNSON - Mrs. Johnson, counselor for the juniors and half of the freshmen, received her B.S. from Tennessee A. & I. University and her M.A. from Louisiana State University plus 30 hours from Louisiana Tech.

MR. JOSEPH DORNIER - Having a B.S. and M.Ed. from Louisiana State University, Mr. Dornier was the administrative coordinator.

MRS. GLENDA FINLAY HARKNESS - Mrs. Harkness, the English Coordinatorr, received her B.A. from Louisiana Tech. She also taught English I and Humanities.

MRS. BLANCHE HURLEY MILLOY - Having a B.A. from South Carolina State College and M.S. from Northwestern State University, Mrs. Milloy was the Business Education Coordinator and taught typing and Business English.

MISS JEAN PONDER - Miss Ponder, the science coordinator and a biology teacher, received her B.S. and M.S. from Louisiana Tech.

MRS. LILLIAN SCHUFORD - With a B.S. from Grambling and a M.S. from Northwestern, Mrs. Schuford, the social studies coordinator, taught American History and World Geography.

Mrs. L. B. Barr

Miss J. Davidson

Mrs. D. S. Johnson

Mrs. Dorothy Johnson received many telephone calls from concerned parents.

Miss Janice Davidson checked the seniors' credits for graduation.

Served Students and Faculty

Mr. J. B. Dornier

Mrs. G. F. Harkness

Mrs. B. H. Milloy

Byrd's five coordinators organized teaching materials and techniques in their specified field. Advising teachers in their lesson plans and increasing the efficiency of teachers in their field, coordinators focused their attention on the phasing and learning abilities of the students. The success of the coordinators was exemplified in Byrd's excellent faculty.

MR. JOSEPH B. DORNIER - Serving as administrative coordinator and as teacher of the Advanced Math course, Mr. Dornier received his B.S. and M.Ed. from Louisiana State University.

MRS. GLENDA FINLAY HARKNESS - Having received her B.A. from Louisiana Tech, Mrs. Harkness taught English I and Humanities. She also served as the English coordinator.

MRS. BLANCHE HURLEY MILLOY - Mrs. Milloy served as the Business Education coordinator and also taught Typing. She received her B.A. from South Carolina College and her M.S. from Northwestern State University.

MISS JEAN PONDER - Serving as the Science coordinator and a teacher of Bioilogy I, Miss Ponder earned her B.S. and M.S. from Louisiana Tech University.

MRS. LILLIAN SCHUFORD - Having received her B.S. from Grambling University and her M.S. from Northwestern State University, Mrs. Schuford served as Social Studies coordinator and taught World Geography.

Besides serving as the science coordinator, Miss Jean Ponder also taught Biology I.

Miss Jean Ponder

Mrs. Lillian Schuford

OFFICE STAFF Performed Various Jobs

Secretaries, managers, and assistants worked daily to carry out the various activities of the school. Cafeteria managers planned meals for over fifteen hundred people daily, and the main office handled all absentees, check-ins and check-outs. The office staff also handled registering all new students as well as sending transcripts to the student's future college. Library assistants worked to help students fully use the facilities in their school work. Many people contributed to the smooth operation of Byrd's office staff.

Mrs. K. Brown

Mrs. A. Cryer

Mrs. B. J. Downs

Mrs. M. Gilliam

Mr. J. Lambert

Mrs. E. Meaux

Mrs. Obinelle Stricklin typed library cards.

Mr. James Lambert checked the lighting system in the auditorium.

and Made the School Run Smoothly

Mrs. N. Mills

Mrs. J. Nissen

Mrs. M. Phillips

Mrs. E. Risher

Mrs. L. Stephens

Mrs. O. Stricklin

As assistant cafeteria manager, Mrs. Ann Cryer planned meals for over fifteen hundred people a day.

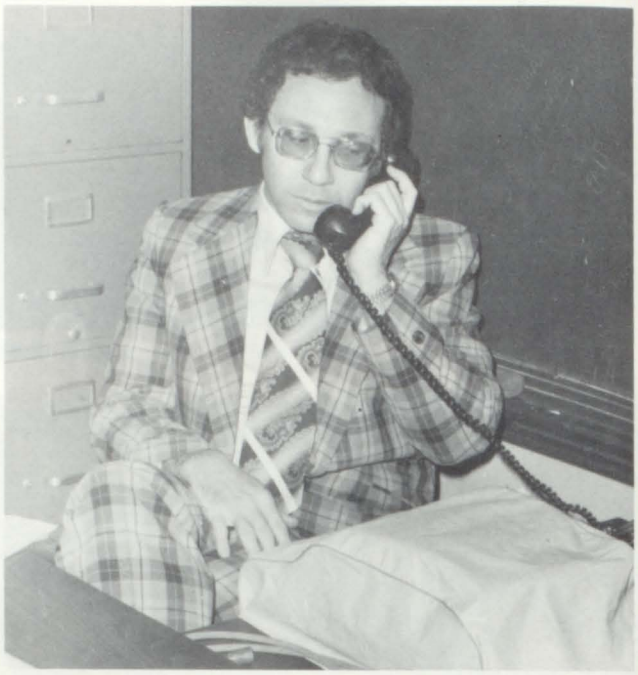
Mrs. Margaret Gilliam checked out Paula Huffman, David Soloman, and Chuck Andrews.

MRS. KAY BROWN - Mrs. Brown served as a study hall aide.
MRS. ANN CRYER - Mrs. Cryer was the assistant manager of the cafeteria.
MRS. BETTY J. DOWNS - Mrs. Downs served as the cafeteria manager.
MRS. MARGARET GILLIAM - Mrs. Gilliam served as the secretary of the main office.
MR. JAMES LAMBERT - Mr. Lambert served as a building custodian.
MRS. EARNESTINE MEAUX - Mrs. Meaux was a study hall aide.
MRS. NARCISSUS MILLS - Mrs. Mills, having received her B.A. from Wiley College, was a study hall aide.
MRS. JUANITA D. NISSEN - Mrs. Nissen, Dr. Shaw's secretary, attended Draughn-Norton Business College.
MRS. MARY E. PHILLIPS - Having earned her B.A. from Centenary, Mrs. Phillips served as a study hall and teacher's aide.
MRS. ELAINE T. RISHER - Mrs. Risher was the registrar.
MRS. LILLIAN W. STEPHENS - Having attended Wiley and Spalding Business College, Mrs. Stephens served as secretary for Mr. Wilson and Mrs. Wintle.
MRS. OBINELLE STRICKLIN - Mrs. Stricklin served as a library aide after attending North Texas State.
MRS. STELLA M. TARVER - Mrs. Tarver served as the bookkeeper.

Mrs. S. Tarver

BUSINESS EDUCATION and

Employment opportunities were provided by Business and Distributive Education for students of all grade levels. Valuable skills were learned in typing, woodworking, driving, data processing, bookkeeping, mechanical drawing, shorthand, and business to help better prepare and to qualify these students for responsible roles in the future business world. Students gained valuable experience from practical application of knowledge in the various classes. The knowledge gained in these classes will enable these students to better fulfill any positions in the future. Serving as the Business and Distributive Education coordinator was Mrs. Blanche Milloy.



Mr. Tony Stickell was a devoted teacher who kept in touch with employees to see how his students were doing.

Mr. E. W. Belle

Mr. L. L. Brown

Mrs. M. R. Draughn

Mrs. L. McElroy

Mrs. Blanche Milloy used an overhead projector for emphasis.

Mrs. J. M. Moch

Mr. J. M. Rife

Mr. W. Robinson

Mr. S. O. Spears

Mr. T. Stickell

INDUSTRIAL ARTS Prepared Students

Mr. Lowell Brown showed Wynn Hutto, John Young, Robert Wisby, and Robert Bolin how to computate the measurement of a building.

Mr. Sam Spears assisted his students on the finishing preparations of making a table.

MR. EARL W. BELLE - Having received his B.S. from Grambling University, Mr. Belle taught Driver's Education.

MR. LOWELL L. BROWN - Teaching Mechanical Drawing, Mr. Brown also sponsored Leo Club, Chess Club, Industrial Arts Club, and was the Athletic Business Manager. Mr. Brown earned his B.S. and M.Ed. from Northwestern University.

MRS. MATTIE R. DRAUGHN - A teacher of General Business, Typewriting I, and Shorthand I, Mrs. Draughn earned her B.S. from Grambling State University, and M.A. degree from Indiana University.

MRS. LYNDA McELROY - Mrs. McElroy taught Bookkeeping I, Typewriting I, Data Processing, and Office Machines. She earned her M.A. plus 30 from Louisiana Tech University.

MRS. JOY MARIE MOCH - Teaching Typewriting I and II was Mrs. Moch, who received her B.S. from Wiley College and her M.A. plus 30 from Prairie View.

MR. JAMES M. RIFE - Having received his B.S. from Louisiana Tech, Master from University of Mississippi, and plus 30 from Arkansas University, Mr. Rife taught Driver Education.

MR. WADE ROBINSON - Mr. Robinson taught Distributive Education. He received a B.S. from Grambling State University.

MR. SAMUEL O. SPEARS - Having received his B.S. degree from Southern University, Mr. Spears taught Woodworking I and II.

MR. TONY STICKELL - With B.S. and M.S. degrees from Northwestern State University, Mr. Stickell taught Cooperative Office Education, Clerical Office Practice, and Typing I.

Mr. Earl Belle oriented his students with the car before the actual driving.

ENGLISH Department Stressed

Mrs. H. Bonner

Mrs. L. Buggs

Mrs. M. Burroughs

Mrs. D. Chase

Mrs. L. Cosby

MRS. HATTIE BONNER - A teacher of English II, Mrs. Bonner received her B.S. degree at Grambling University.

MRS. LOIS BUGGS - Mrs. Buggs, who taught Reading II, received her B.A. degree from Southern University.

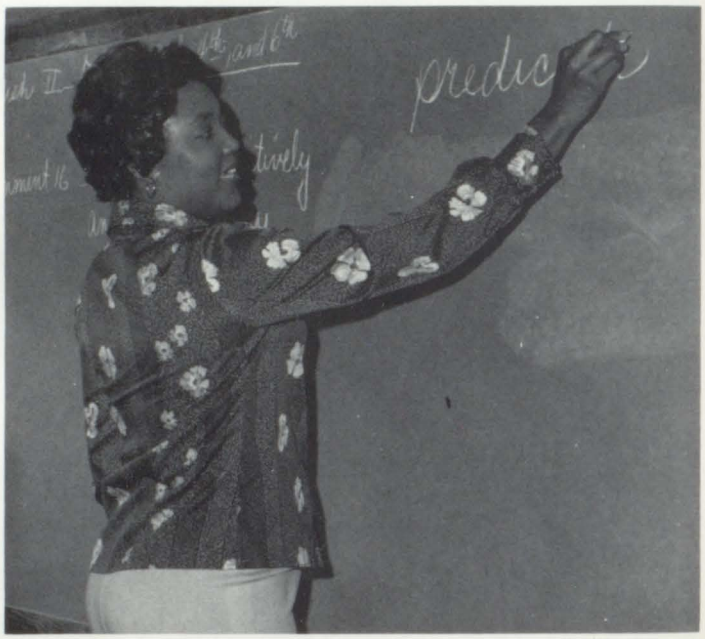
MRS. MARY BURROUGHS - Mrs. Burroughs taught English I. She received her B.A. degree from Centenary and her M.ED. from Louisiana State University.

MRS. DOROTHY RHEA CHASE - A teacher of English II and III, Mrs. Chase received her B.S. degree from Southern University and her M.Ed. plus thirty hours from Louisiana Tech, Northwestern State University, and Louisiana State University.

MRS. LINDA COSBY - Mrs. Cosby taught English IV and received her B.S. from Grambling State University.

MRS. HAZEL G. CUMMINGS - Having received her B.S. degree from Grambling, Mrs. Cummings taught Reading I.

MRS. BEVERLY ELEBY - Mrs. Eleby, who taught English I and II received her B.S. degree from Bishop College.



Mrs. Hattie Bonner explained the use of predicates to her English II class.

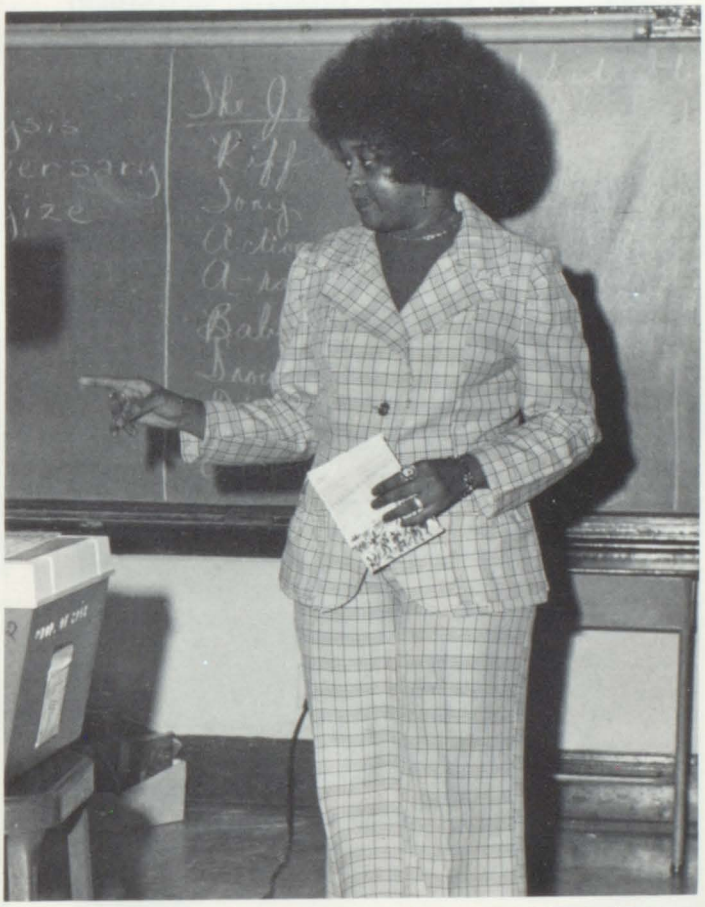
Mrs. Lois Buggs helped students in her Reading class.

Proper Use of Grammar

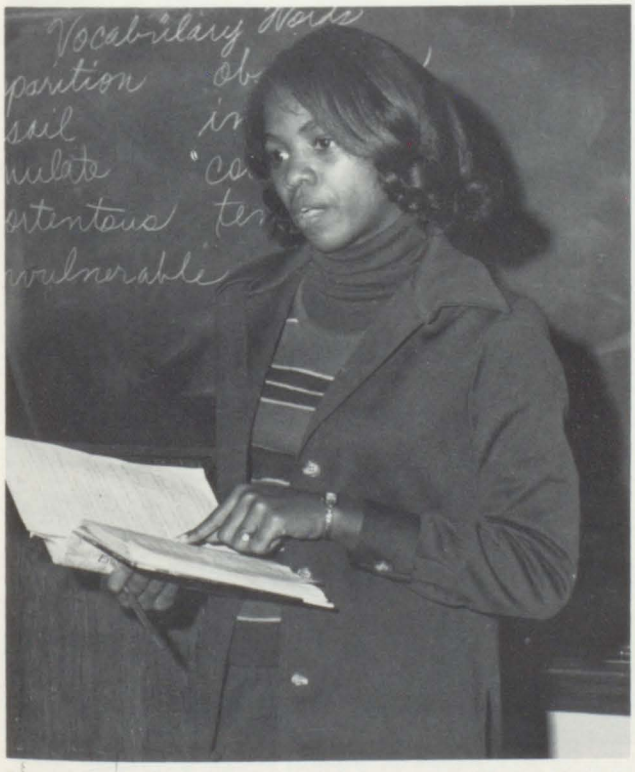
Mrs. Dorothy Chase planned lessons for her English students.

Mrs. H. Cummings

Mrs. B. Eleby



Mrs. Beverly Eleby discussed literature characters with her students.



Mrs. Linda Cosby went over vocabulary words with her Reading Class.

ENGLISH Students Focused

Grammar, creative writing, and literature were stressed on all four levels of English as students improved their literary skills. Freshmen and Sophomores worked to improve their grammar, and Juniors and Seniors broadened their knowledge of American and English literature. The Novel, a supplementary English course, focused its attention on great world authors.

Mrs. Nancy C. Lonnegan, an English II teacher, wrote and published an English manual to be used in instructing businessmen.

Mrs. N. Lonnegan

Mrs. M. McClanahan

Mrs. E. Mims

Mrs. Margureite Whitehead discussed American Literature with her English III class.

Mrs. Nancy Lonnegan displayed her newly published book, SENTENCE THINKING.

Miss Margee Sanders explained the Industrial Revolution of England to the Novels class.

Their Attention on Classic Literature

Mrs. N. Prim

Miss M. Sanders

Mrs. M. Whitehead

Mrs. Esther Mims helped a student correct a homework assignment.

Mrs. Hazel Cummings helped one of her Reading students complete a workbook exercise.

MRS. NANCY CARRIGAN LONNEGAN - Having received her B.A. after attending Henderson State College, the University of Mexico, and the University of Texas, Mrs. Lonnegan taught Sophomore English.

MRS. MARY McCLANAHAN - Mrs. McClanahan, who received her B.S. from Centenary and her M.Ed. from Louisiana State University, taught English III and Psychology.

MRS. ESTHER MIMS - After receiving her B.S. from Southern University, Mrs. Mims taught English III.

MRS. NETTIE H. PRIM - Mrs. Prim received her B.S. degree from Southern University and was a teacher of English III and IV and Speech I.

MISS MARGEE SANDERS - Miss Sanders taught English IV and The Novel. She earned her B.S. degree from Louisiana Tech.

MRS. MARGUREITE WHITEHEAD - Mrs. Whitehead, an English II and III teacher, earned her B.A. at Centenary and her Master's degree plus thirty hours at Northwestern University.

FINE ARTS Students Added

Fine Arts gave students an opportunity to show individualism as well as school spirit through art and music classes. Art courses provided instruction in sketching, painting, sculpting, and pottery. Many art students displayed their work in public showings and a number of them won awards in competition. The Orchestra, Band, and Choir provided students with a chance to increase their knowledge and appreciation of music.

Full of ideas, the new librarian, Mrs. Francis Brookings ordered a microfilm reader which increased the library's selection of magazines. The Byrd High School Library won the Modisette Award for being the most outstanding library in the state for two consecutive years.

Mr. E. H. Allen

Mrs. F. Brookings

Mr. C. M. Corbett

Mrs. J. Morelock

Mr. E. H. Allen instructed David Manry on how to sketch a vase.

Mrs. Francis Brookings showed new books and periodicals to Tinyee Jue.

Great Spirit to School Activities

Miss L. E. Persley

Mr. R. Shields

Mr. J. L. Sullivan

Mr. Claude Corbett conducted the orchestra with great enthusiasm in daily practice.

MR. EDWARD H. ALLEN - With a B.S. degree from Grambling, Mr. Allen taught Art I, II, III, and IV. He was the Art Club Sponsor, a Senior Class Sponsor, and he coached the Band majorettes.

MRS. FRANCIS BROOKINGS - Mrs. Brookings, our new librarian, earned her B.S. from Oklahoma University, took 24 hours of undergraduate work at Louisiana Tech for librarian certification, and is now finishing a masters degree in Library Science at Louisiana State University in Shreveport.

MR. CLAUDE M. CORBETT - Mr. Corbett received his B.M.E. from Louisiana State University. He taught Orchestra at Byrd and Band at Broadmoor Junior High.

MRS. JASMINE CRAWFORD MORELOCK - Mrs. Morelock taught Art I and Speech I. She received her A.A. from Stephens College in Missouri, and her B.A. from Louisiana State University.

MISS L. E. PERSLEY - Holding a B.S. from Grambling University, Miss Persley was the audio-visual librarian.

MR. ROOSEVELT SHIELDS - Mr. Shields conducted the Byrd Band. He received his B.S. from Grambling, and 30 hours plus from Louisiana Tech.

MR. JAMES L. SULLIVAN - Mr. Sullivan received his B.S. from Northeast Louisiana University and his Master of Music Education from Northwestern. He taught Music Appreciation and Choral Music.

Mr. James Sullivan rehearsed with the choir for their Spring concert.

Skills Were Demonstrated in HOME EC

The Home Economics Department consisted of Home Economics I and II, Child Development, Housing and Development, and Home and Family Living. There were special events during the year such as hosting the Faculty Christmas Party and having a spring wedding, which is held annually. Refreshments were made for the Faculty Party by the Home Ec I and II classes. All the classes could participate and demonstrate the skills they had learned.

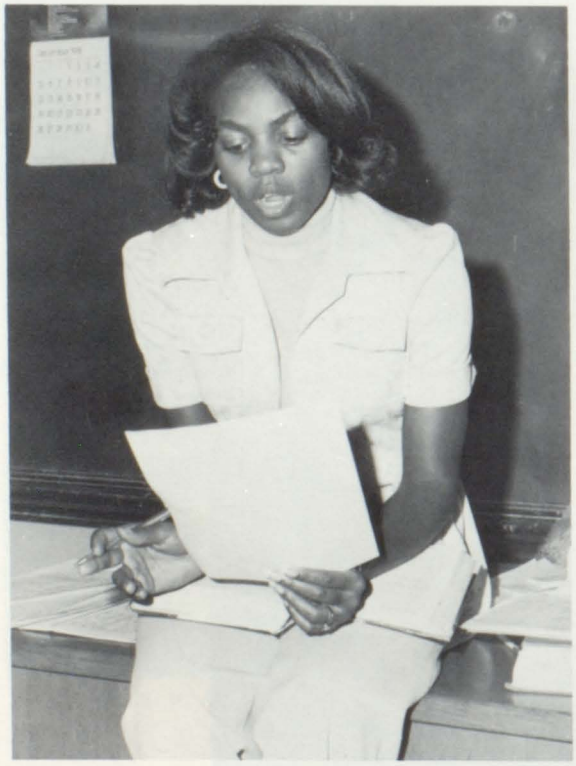
MRS. JOAN GLEASON - Having earned her B.S. degree in Home Economics at Louisiana Tech University, Mrs. Gleason taught Home Economics I and II and Child Development, and also served as assistant sponsor fo the "Z" Club.
MRS. ELIZABETH PABODY - Mrs. Pabody was sponsor of the "Z" Club, and a Home Economics teacher. She attended Northwestern State University where she earned her B.S. and M.S. degrees.
MRS. LOUISA SMITH - Teaching Home and Family Living, Mrs. Smith earned her B.S. degree in Home Economics at Grambling State University.

Mrs. J. Gleason

Mrs. E. Pabody

Mrs. L. Smith

Mrs. Elizabeth Pabody helped Nancy Long and Cecilia Singleton in the basics of sewing.


Mrs. Louisa Smith led an informal discussion with her Home and Family Living class.

Mrs. Joan Gleason instructed her students in the correct way to paint the ceramic figures they had made.

ROTC Taught Basics

Sgt. Yerton proudly admired some of the trophies the ROTC cadets had earned.

The Reserve Officer's Training Corps taught cadets the basics of military life. Discipline, taking orders and carrying them out, and the experience gained from competition all helped prepare the cadets for future military activity. The lessons learned, as well as solving their own problems as they occured, provided valuable experience for the cadets.

SGT. CLYDE T. McKINNON - Sponsor of the ROTC Band and Technical ROTC, Sgt. McKinnon taught Military Science.

LT. COL. WILLIAM H. TEAL - A teacher of advanced military science, Col. Teal attended Texas A&M, University of Arkansas, and Central Missouri State College where he earned his B.X.

SGT. DAVID G. YERTON - Sponsor of the George S. Patton Drill Team, Sgt. Yerton was also a teacher of military science.

Sgt. C. T. McKinnon

Lt. Col. W. H. Teal

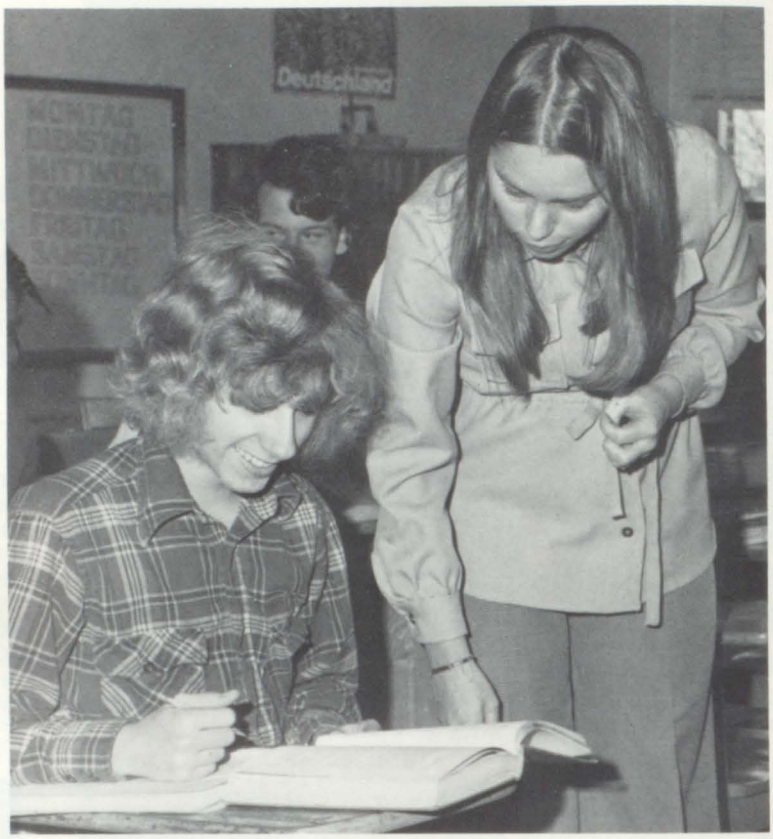
Sgt. D. G. Yerton

Sgt. Clyde McKinnon checked uniforms before passing them out.

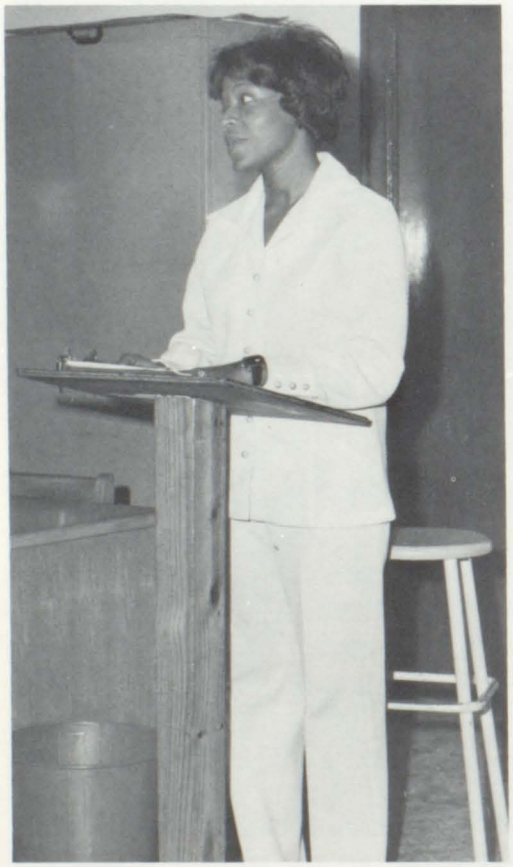
Col. William Teal was very pleased after checking a cadet's target practice scores.

LIBERAL ARTS Courses

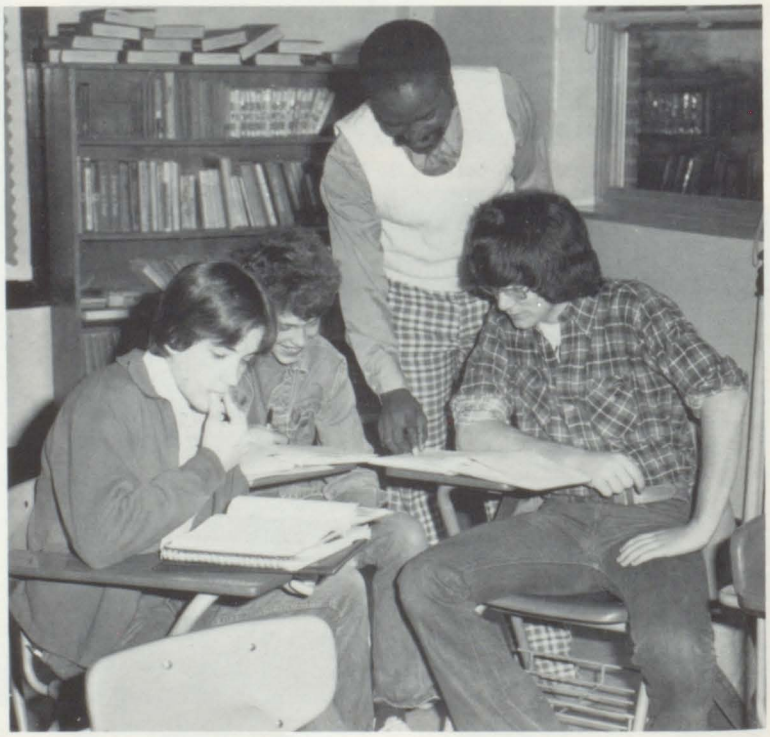
Liberal Arts offered students a chance to develop and increase their knowledge of languages and communication. Journalism, Speech, and Latin served as good background courses for various career fields, and the foreign languages such as French, Spanish, and German, which was offered for the first time at Byrd, could be useful in any future world travel. The students not only learned the language in French, Spanish, Latin, and German classes but also the histories of those countries. The Journalism classes provided a chance for students to work with the HIGH LIFE and, the Speech Department presented students with the opportunity to participate in debate tournaments or drama events. With the offering of German under Mrs. Janet Colbert, a German Club was formed for the first time.



Mrs. Janet Colbert helped Kyle Labor with a Latin translation.

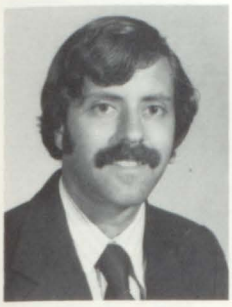


Mrs. Betty Herndon explained impromptu speaking to the Speech classes.



Mr. Leroy Wesley explained French verb tenses to David Gibson, Jackie Gras, and Chris Gras.

Broadened Students' Horizons



Mr. D. Belanger

Mrs. M. Bowdon

Mrs. J. G. Colbert

Mr. J. Goodman

Mr. Don Belanger used the speech equipment in getting ideas across to his students.

MR. DON N. BELANGER - Mr. Belanger, who taught Speech I, II, and III, received his B.A. degree from Centenary College.

MRS. MAREDIA BOWDON - Mrs. Bowdon acquired her B.A. from Louisiana College. She taught Journalism while sponsoring the HIGH LIFE and the Football Ad Staff.

MRS. JANET GUTHE COLBERT - Mrs. Colbert, who earned her B.A. from Centenary, taught Latin I, II, III, German I and Reading I. She was also sponsor of the Latin and German Clubs.

MR. JACK GOODMAN - A teacher of Spanish I, II, and III, Mr. Goodman sponsored the Spanish Club. He acquired his B.A. from Centenary and his Master's in counseling from Louisiana Tech.

MRS. BETTY HERNDON - Receiving her B.S. from Grambling State University, Mrs. Herndon taught Speech.

MRS. PATRICIA THOMAS - Earning her B.A. in French Education at Dillard University, Mrs. Thomas taught French I, II, and III.

Mrs. B. Herndon

Mrs. P. Thomas

Mrs. Maredia Bowdon talked with Scott Holtby and Elaine Mayo about selling ads.

MATHEMATICS Prepared

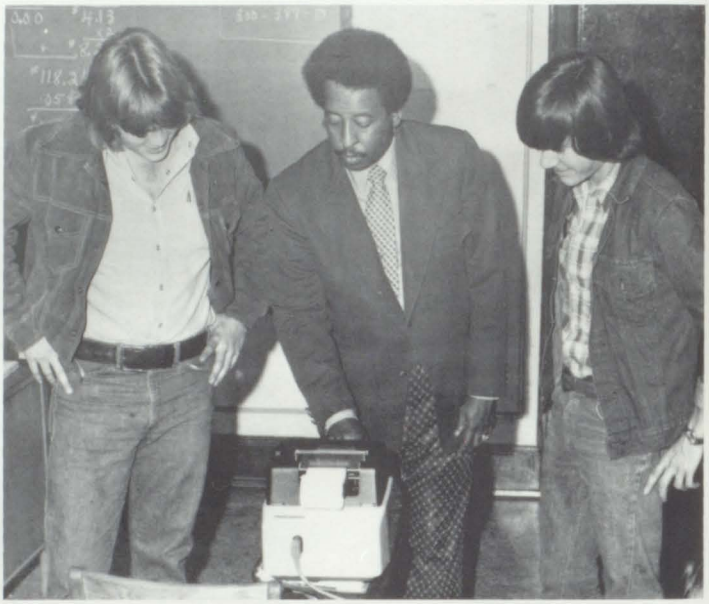
Mrs. C. G. Belle

Mr. R. A. Crosby

Mr. J. C. Harkness

Miss J. Malone

The math department gave students a good background in math skills and practical application. For students planning to go to college, the math department offered Algebra I and II, Geometry, and Advanced Math. Business Math, Senior Math, and General Math were offered to students as qualifications for employment during or after high school. The curriculum at Byrd gave every student the opportunity to take a math course that agreed with his future plans. Mr. Robert Albert Crosby was the new General Math and Senior Arithmetic teacher for 1976-1977.


Mr. John Thomas demonstrated the use of the adding machine to Dan Cheesman and Randy Murphy.

During her preparation period, Mrs. Carrie Belle graded test papers.

Miss Jerry Malone helped Byron Trust solve an inverse and direct variation problem.

Students for the Future

Mrs. P. G. Smith

Mr. J. R. Thomas

Miss W. S. Whittington

Mrs. Peggie Smith prepared her lesson material for the day during her free period.

MRS. CARRIE GILES BELLE - Mrs. Belle taught Senior Arithmetic. She earned her B.S. from Southern University and her M.S. from Indiana University.

MR. ROBERT ALBERT CROSBY - Having received a B.S. from Southern University, Mr. Crosby taught General Math and Senior Arithmetic.

MR. JOHNNY CLYDE HARKNESS - Mr. Harkness, coach of the basketball team, taught Geometry. He earned his B.S. from Louisiana College and M.Ed. degree at Mississippi State.

MISS JERRY MALONE - Having received her B.S. from Centenary College and her M.Ed. from Louisiana State University, Miss Malone taught Algebra I and II and sponsored the Student Council.

MRS. PEGGY GEORGE SMITH - Teaching Algebra I and General Math, Mrs. Smith received her B.S. from Southern University and her M.Ed. from Louisiana State University.

MR. JOHN THOMAS, JR. - Holding a B.S. from Southern University, his M.Ed. from Prairie View A&M, and Plus 30 hours from the College of Texas, Mr. Thomas taught Business Math and General Math.

MISS WANDA SUE WHITTINGTON - Teaching General Math, Miss Whittington acquired her B.A. and M.Ed. from Northeast Louisiana University. She co-sponsored GUSHER and Quill and Scroll.

Mr. Robert Crosby explained fractions and percents to his General Math classes.

Teamwork Was Essential

MR. RONNIE CHARLES BAYLOR - A Health and Physical Education teacher and assistant coach of the football team, Coach Baylor earned his B.S. from Grambling State University.

MR. THOMAS R. CATHEY - Coach Cathey earned his B.A. from Northwestern State University and his M.S. plus thirty from Louisiana Tech University. Teaching Health Education and serving as assistant football coach and head baseball coach, he also sponsored the Varsity Club and the Football Program Staff.

MRS. MINNIE L. GOLDSMITH - Mrs. Goldsmith, having received her B.S. from Grambling State University, taught Health and Physical Education.

MRS. PHALAMAE C. GRAY - Mrs. Gray taught Health and Physical Education and served as sponsor for the Senior class and the GUSHER. She earned her B.S. and M.Ed. from Northwestern State University.

MR. JAMES G. HARRISON - After earning his B.S., M.S., and plus thirty from Louisiana Tech, Coach Harrison taught Drivers' Education and was head football coach.

MRS. HELEN HEDGEMON - A teacher of Health and Physical Education, Mrs. Hedgemon was also the Girls' Track Coach and sponsor of the Stingerettes. She earned her B.S. degree from Grambling State University.

MR. CHARLES THRASH - Having earned a B.S. degree from Grambling State University, Coach Thrash was an assistant coach of the football and basketball teams and coach of the Sophomore basketball team. He taught Health and Physical Education.

Mr. R. C. Baylor

Mr. T. R. Cathey

Mrs. M. L. Goldsmith

Mrs. P. C. Gray

Mr. J. G. Harrison

Mrs. H. Hedgemon

Mrs. Helen Hedgemon conducted a timed relay in her physical education class.

Coach Tom Cathey prepared the roster for his physical education classes.

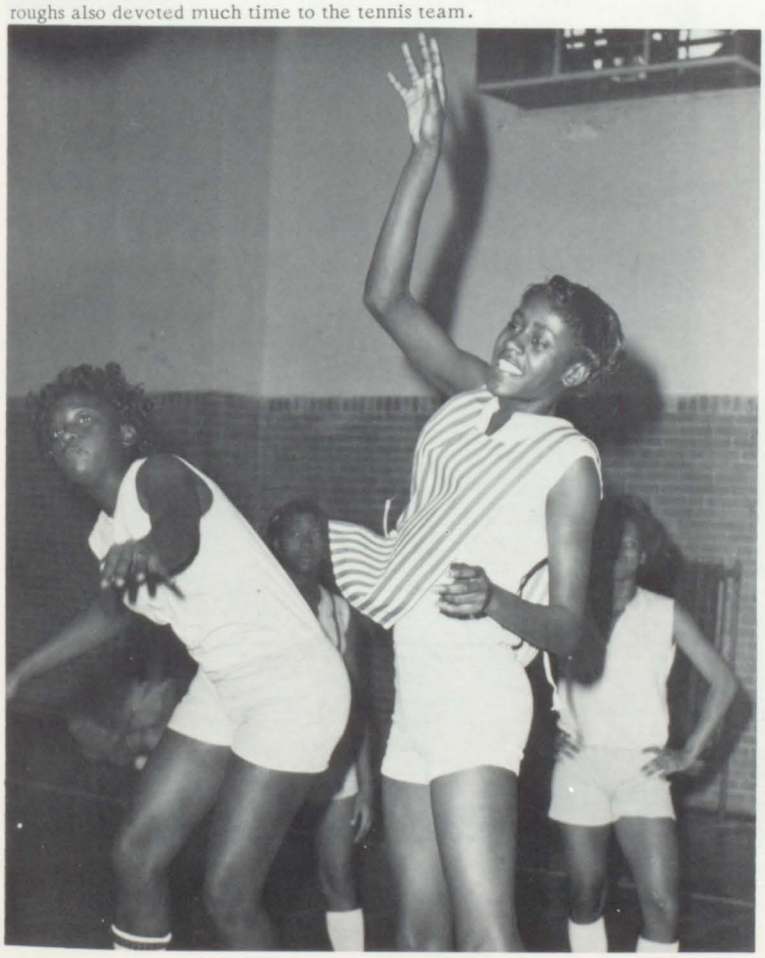
Mr. C. Thrash

Mrs. Minnie Goldsmith showed a student how to throw a basketball.

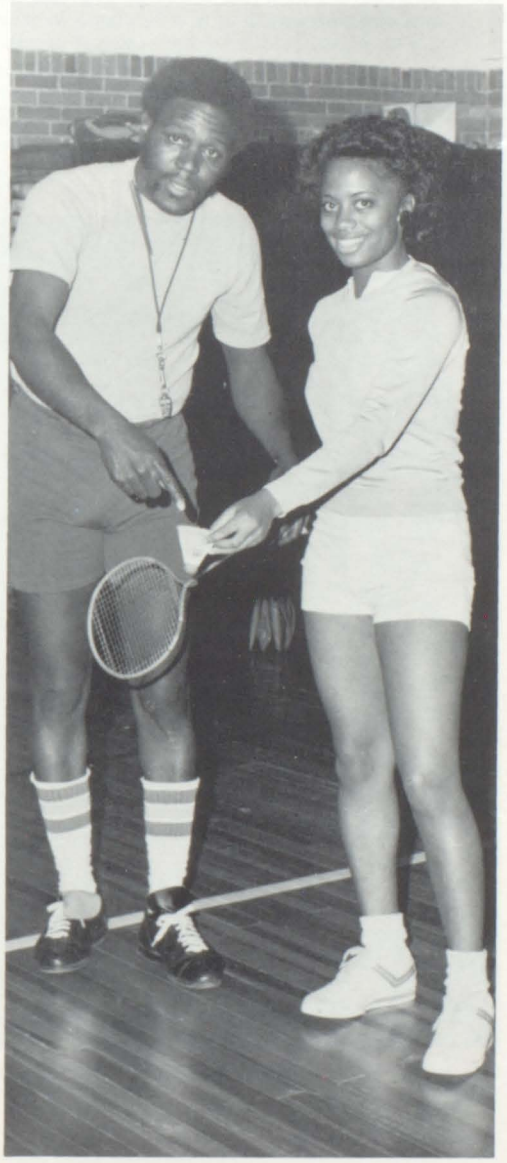
in Physical Education

Coach Jimmy Harrison talked to tennis players before practice. Mrs. Mary Burroughs also devoted much time to the tennis team.

The physical Education Department provided an outlet for a student's emotions. Through team sports he learned how to work with others, and he learned the importance of sportsmanship. During the course of the year, the girls played a wide variety of sports including tennis, basketball, and volleyball; and, they also had a mini-course in dancing. The boy's physical education program consisted of football, basketball, baseball, and volleyball.



Mrs. Phalamae Gray's physical education class played basketball.



Coach Ronnie Baylor helped a student improve her badminton serve.

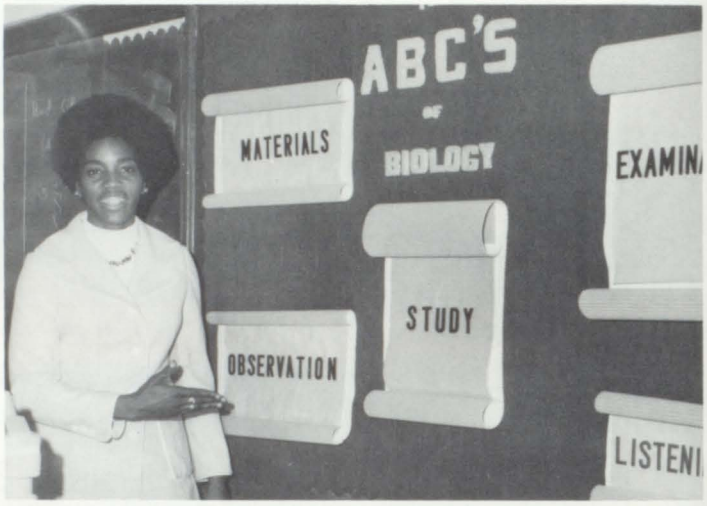
SCIENCE COURSES Enlightened

The science department at Byrd gave new ideas to students through observations, experiments, illustrations, and explanations. The department helped students become more aware of their environment with opportunities to examine and experience new things. Mr. H. R. Colbert, Jr. and Mrs. Betty M. Bell, who both taught General Science, were new additions to the science staff. Science developed the student's logical reasoning and gave him a chance for personal participation. Science education enhanced the student's knowledge of life and its processes.

Mrs. B. Bell

Mr. J. C. Chico

Mr. H. R. Colbert



Mrs. Delia Hamilton explained the ABC's of Biology to her students.

Mr. Willie Reed showed the germination of plants to Janie Sharpe.

Mr. James Chico explained the use of an inclined plane to John Hendrick and John Baudoin.

Students About Their Environment

Mrs. D. Hamilton

Miss M. Norris

Mr. W. E. Reed

MRS. BETTY MOORE BELL - Holding a B.A. degree from Alcorn State University, Mrs. Bell taught General Science.

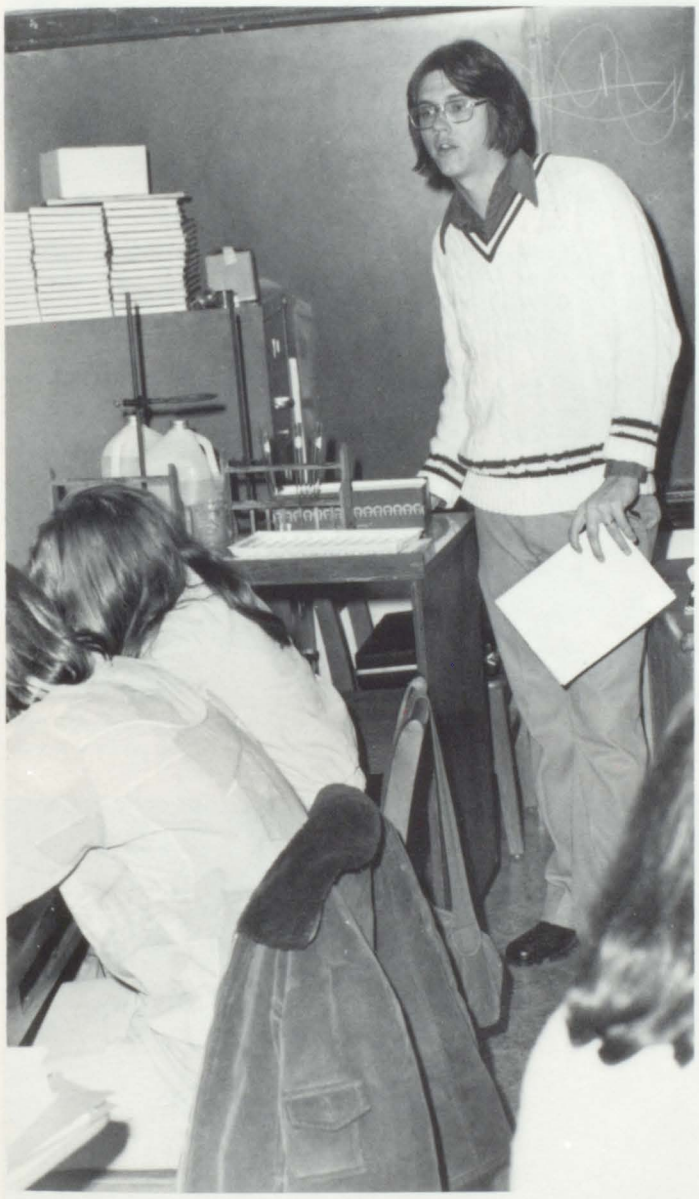
MR. JAMES CHARLES CHICO, SR. - Holding a B.S. in Physics from Springhill College and his M.S. in Science Education from Louisiana Tech, Mr. Chico taught Physics and Physical Science.

MR. H. R. COLBERT, JR. - Mr. Colbert taught General Science and sponsored Interact. He acquired his B.S. in Natural Sciences from Centenary College.

MRS. DELIA M. HAMILTON - Mrs. Hamilton taught Biology. She acquired her B.S. degree from Grambling University and her M.A. from Southern University.

MISS MARY A. S. NORRIS - Holding a B.S. from Webster College and a M.T.S. from the Catholic University of America, Miss Norris taught Chemistry and General Science. She also was sponsor of the Junior Medical League.

MR. WILLIE ERNEST REED - Mr. Reed taught Biology and General Science. He received his B.S. from Grambling and his M.A. from Prairie View A&M.



Mr. H. R. Colbert reminded his General Science classes of midterm exams.

During her preparation period, Mrs. Betty Bell graded test papers.

SOCIAL STUDIES Dealt

American History, Government, Economics, and Civics composed the Social Studies Department. Each class dealt with a specific facet of our nation. American History started with the foundation of our country and led to the present day United States, while World History dealt with the beginning of man and his accomplishments. Government and Civics classes were concerned with political escapades and governmental elections. Inflationary and financial affairs were discussed in the Economics classes.

MRS. E. EVON ALEXANDER - Having earned her B.S. from Bishop College and a B.S. from McNeese University, Mrs. Alexander taught American History.

MISS ANNE FINUF - Miss Finuf, having received her B.A. from Centenary, taught Sociology and American History and was also the cheerleader sponsor.

MR. GODFREY JOINER - Mr. Joiner taught American History and Civics after receiving his B.A. from Wiley College, his B.S. from Grambling University, his M.A. from Prarie View University, and plus thirty from Northwestern.

MR. LARRY KAHLDEN - An American History teacher and head track team coach, Mr. Kahlden earned his B.S. from Louisiana State University and his M.S. from Louisiana Tech University.

MRS. LILLIAN SCHUFORD - Having earned her B.S. from Grambling University and her M.S. from Northwestern State University, and plus thirty from the University of Colorado, Mrs. Schuford taught World Geography and served as Social Studies coordinator.

MR. ROY THOMAS - Mr. Thomas taught World Geography, having earned his B.S. from Grambling State University and his M.S. from Southern University.

MISS BARBARA WHITEHEAD - A teacher of American History and Civics, Miss Whitehead earned her B.A. and M.Ed. from McNeese State University.

MRS. BARBARA WILLIAMS - After earning her B.S. from Southern University, Mrs. Williams taught American History and Civics.

Miss Barbara Whitehead explained the free enterprise system.

Mrs. Barbara Williams discussed current events with her Civics class.

Mr. Godfrey Joiner pointed out to his students the imaginary dividing line between slavery and anti-slavery states.

With Man's Accomplishments

Mrs. E. E. Alexander

Miss A. T. Finuf

Mr. G. Joiner

Mr. L. Kahlden

Mrs. L. Schuford

Mr. R. Thomas

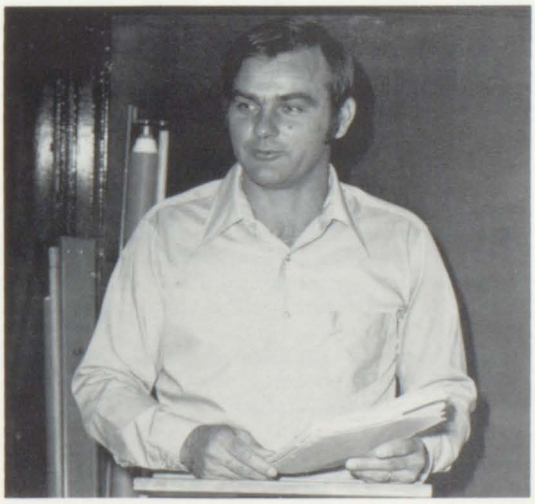
Miss B. A. Whitehead

Mrs. B. Williams

Miss Ann Finuf explained the church order to Felonecia Walker.

Mrs. Lillian Schuford used a world map to point out the places of topic.

Mrs. Evon Alexander explained the War of 1812 to her class.


Mr. Larry Kahlden informed his American History class of their homework assignment.

Special Programs Were Devised

Many students who desired to finish their high school education but could not attend regular public schools for some reason had an opportunity to take courses at School Away from School. This program, consisted of four branches with two shifts. Of the twenty-four courses offered, the students were allowed to take as many courses as they wished. With an average enrollment of 220 students, the S.A.S. gave many students the chance to earn diplomas when they would have missed the opportunity otherwise.

The Hearing Impaired Program helped a number of hearing-deficient students at Byrd. The students spent some of the day in the deaf-oral classroom but moved out into the school the other parts of the day. Mrs. Cora Clark was in charge of the program.

Directed by Mr. Hubert Allen, the Reclamation Room was a method of rehabilitation at Byrd. It provided students with the chance to continue their school work while under the influence of behavioral modification. Students were in the Reclamation Room for one to six periods of the day for up to five days. Mr. Allen also helped students to complete their assignments.

The Work Study Program taught students responsibility and on-the-job training by placing them in job openings. This program, working in accordance with Caddo Parish guide for Work Study, allowed students to complete high school in three years. Sophomores in the Work Study Program took class courses in English, American History, and math; juniors worked part-time; and seniors held full-time jobs. This program provided a unique form of education for students at Byrd. Mr. Ashe Young supervised this program.

Mr. H. C. Allen

Mrs. C. Clark

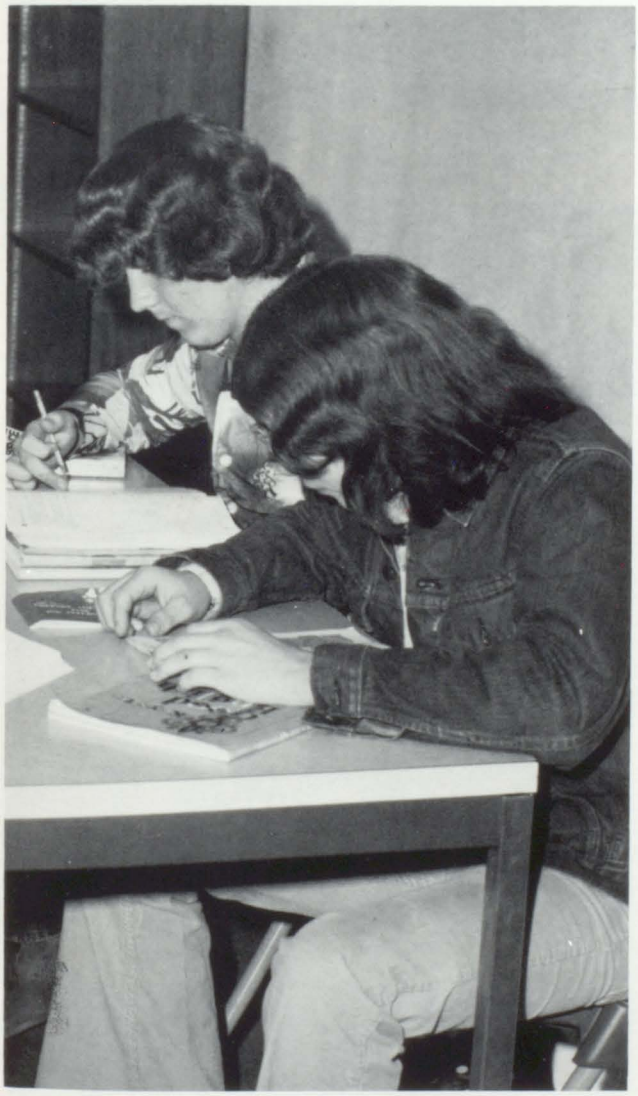
Mr. E. A. Young

Mr. Hubert Allen, who supervised the Reclamation Room, counseled with David Coker about his behavior.

Mrs. Cora Clark helped Stewart Canterbury with long division in the deaf-oral class.

to Meet Individual Needs

Mr. Ashe Young helped Michael Cooks with his assignments while Donna Murphy and Michael Mauldan studied for a test.



Dale Giles and Mark Hanna did their homework for their assigned classes at School Away From School.

Mrs. Cora Clark discussed test papers with Reynolds White and Michael Frazier.

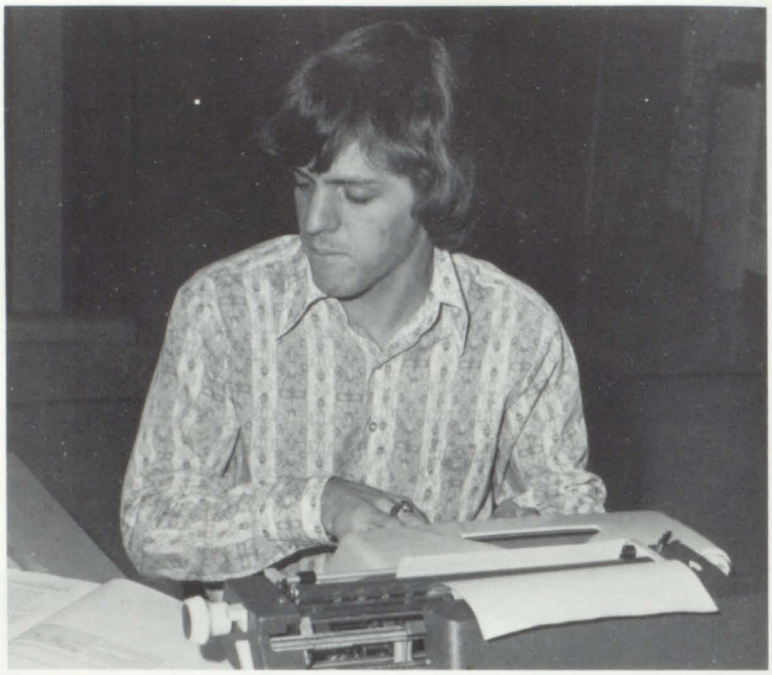
MR. HUBERT CLAY ALLEN - Having earned his B.S. and M.S. at Mississippi State University, Mr. Allen was a School Administration Specialist in Guidance and Counseling in the Reclamation Room.

MRS. CORA CLARK - Mrs. Clark taught the Hearing Impaired classes and earned her B.S. at Grambling and her M.S. plus thirty hours at the University of Southern California.

MR. E. ASHE YOUNG - Having earned his B.S. from Louisiana State University and his M.Ed. from Stephen F. Austin, plus thirty hours from Louisiana Tech University, Mr. Young taught Special Education.

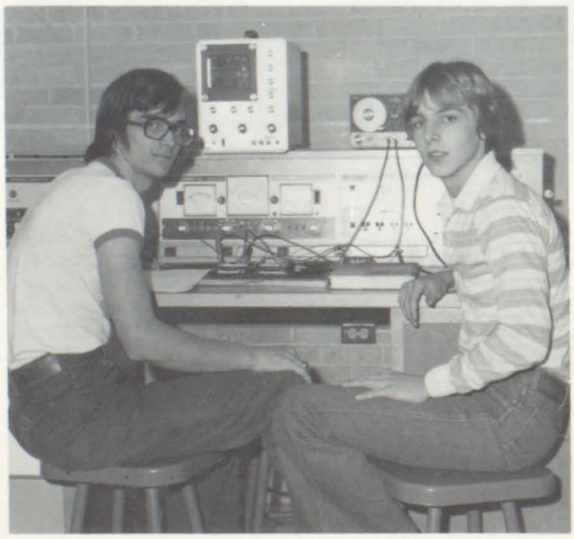
CADDO CAREER CENTER

The Caddo Career Center was located on Union Avenue. Students went for half a day and had a wide diversificaton of courses to choose from. One could take welding, health occupation, fashion design, electrical repair, auto mechanics, carpentry, clerical office practice, drafting, auto body repair, or any one of a number of other subjects. Three credits were given for the half day attended.



John Horton learned the proper form for typing a business letter in Clerical Office Practice.

Tim Dobyns worked with a cylinder block in auto mechanics.

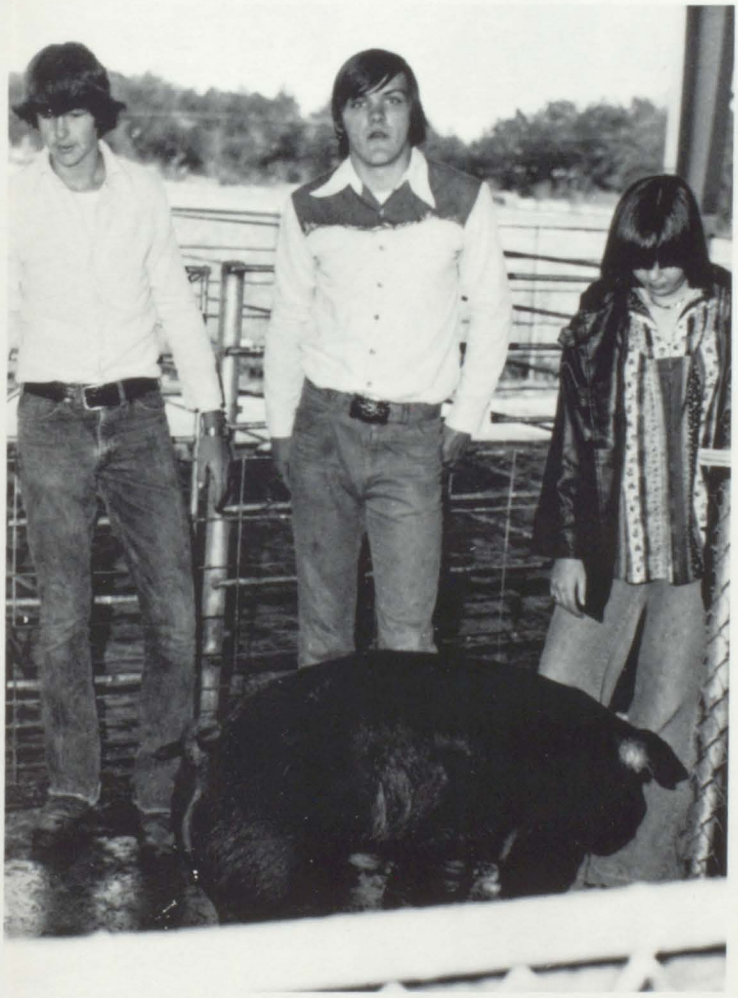


Jack Cobb and George Hughes took Electrical Repair in which they studied extensively.

David Bamburg checked the pressure in Refrigerator Air-conditioning class.

Offered Varied Programs

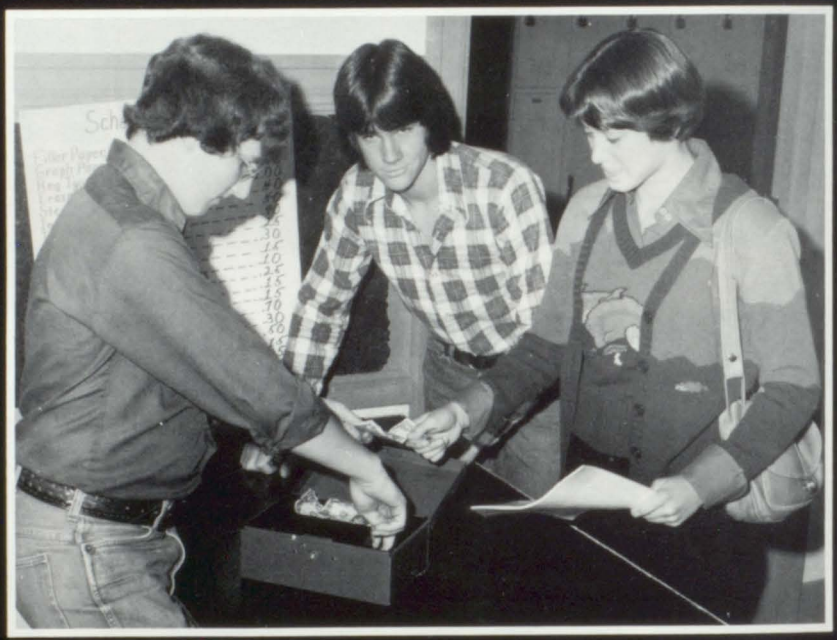
William Ayres, Robert Davis, and Willard Charrier actively participated in Machine Shop.



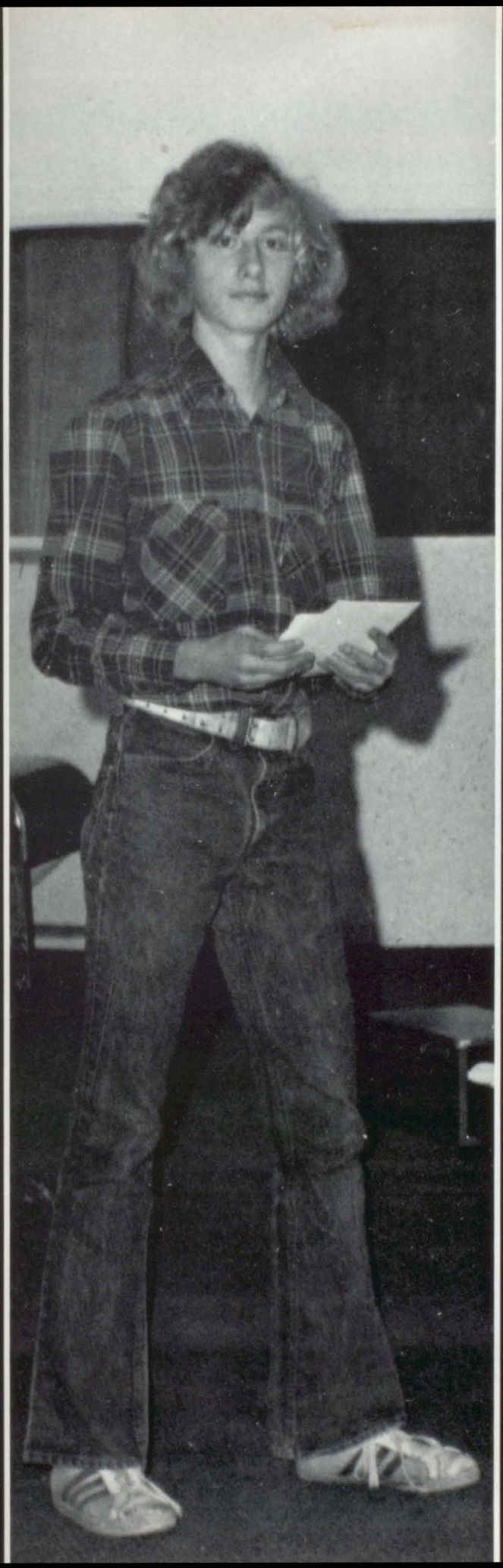
In Agriculture Career of Animals, Jeff Harper, Tommy Wells, and Leah Campbell worked directly with the animals.

James Hill selected the welding course to gain experience for a future career.

Without the students at the school, Byrd would have no purpose. It was from these people that sounds of hope, sadness, spirit, and joy could be heard. In each class the pupils strived for academic excellence as well as personal pride. The memorable time at Byrd has had a lasting effect on those who attended this school during their high school years.



TOP: Dwain Bryan took his chemistry test in Miss Mary Norris' fifth hour class. MIDDLE: Mark Stinson, acting as cashier, sold supplies to Libby Taylor and John Berton in the school store. BOTTOM: Student council sponsored a political rally between Ford supporters and Carter supporters.
OPPOSITE PAGE: Kyle Labor, a member of the debate team, offered an affirmative solution to penal system reform.



CLASSES

SENIORS Combined Baccalaureate

MOTTO: Don't walk in front of me . . .
I may not follow,
Don't walk behind me . . .
I may not lead,
Just walk beside me . . .
And be my friend.
. . . Camus

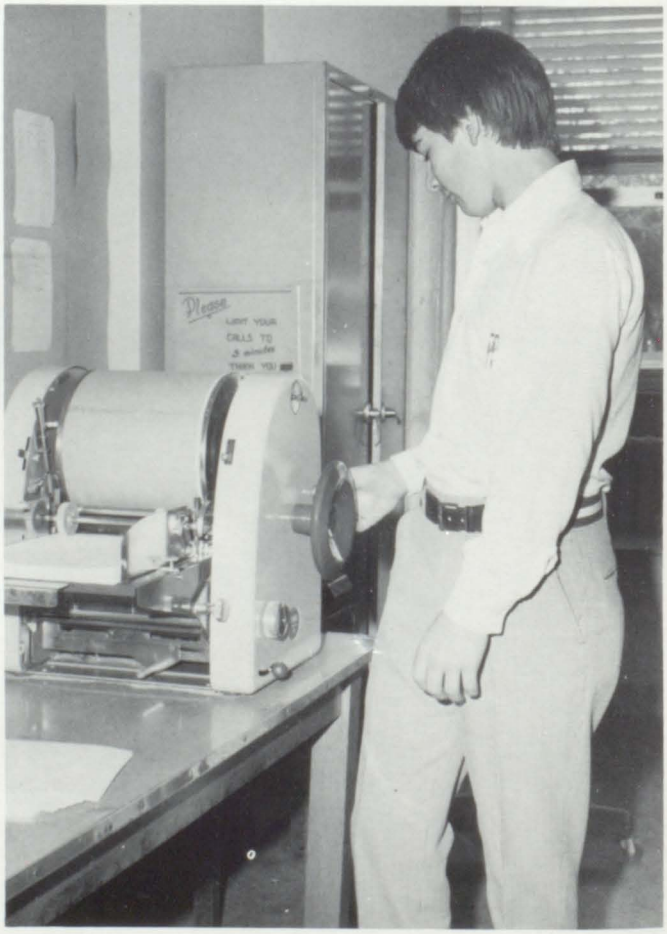
COLORS: Purple and Gold

SONG: The Way We Were

FLOWER: Yellow Rose

Working closely with their faculty advisors, Mrs. Phalamae Gray and Mr. Edward H. Allen, the Senior Class Officers conducted Senior class meetings and all voting involved with graduation. President Scott Politz and Vice-President Martin Walke, along with Laura Gallagher, Casey Thomas, and David Manry, headed the committee of the Senior Project, a permanent Alma Mater in the auditorium. Officers Sara Reisz, Margaret Bell, and Rick Lyman worked with Alice Simmons, Dana Atkins, Debbie Parker, and Dwight Swiney in narrowing the nominations for the motto and song before the final voting. Limiting the flower nominations to the top four were Treasurer Lynn Bigner, Patsy Murphy, and Roberta Lambrecht.

Scott Politz
President



Martin Walke
Vice-President

and Commencement Exercises

Margaret Bell
Secretary

Lynn Bigner
Treasurer

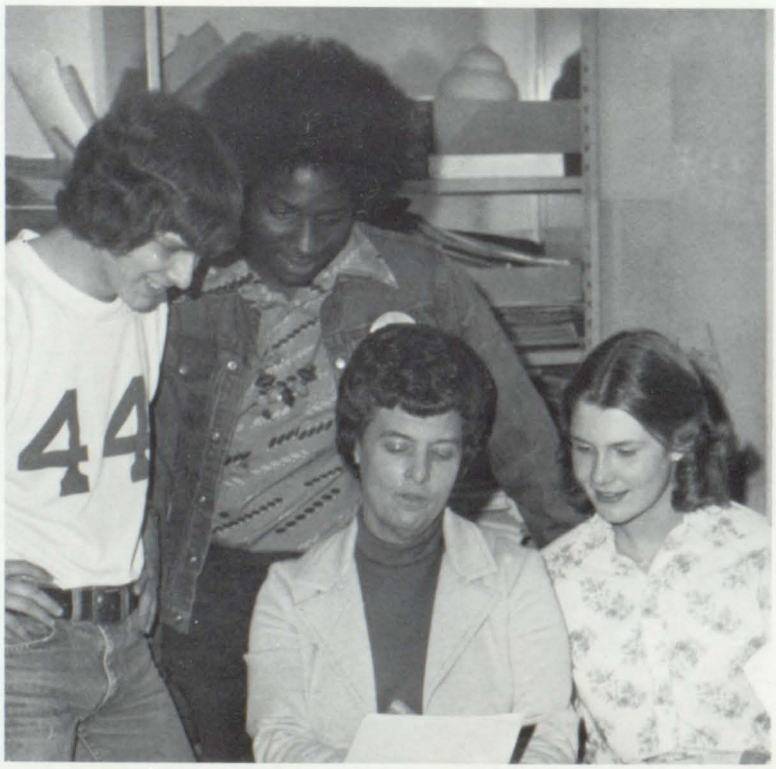
Sara Reisz
Parliamentarian

Rick Lyman
Sergeant-at-Arms

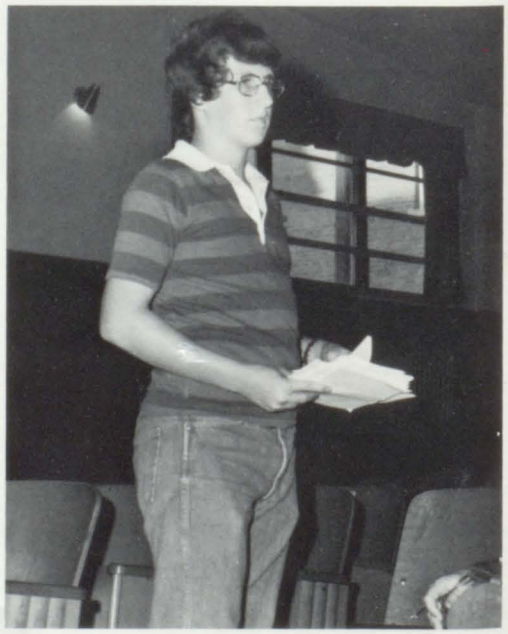
SENIORS Worked to Make

Henry Lefkowitz checked the spelling of his name on the Senior graduation list.

Scott Politz and Mark Stinson took part in the Natchitoches skit.



Rick Lyman, Dwight Swiney, and Margaret Bell discussed the Senior motto with Mrs. Phalamae Gray.



Mark Stinson passed out ballots for Seniors to vote on their officers.

Their Final Year a Success

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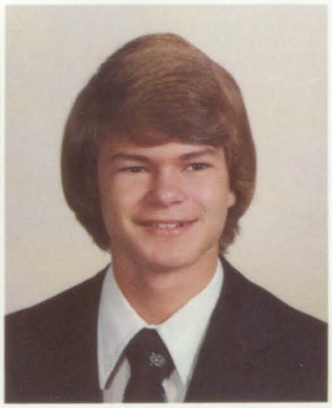
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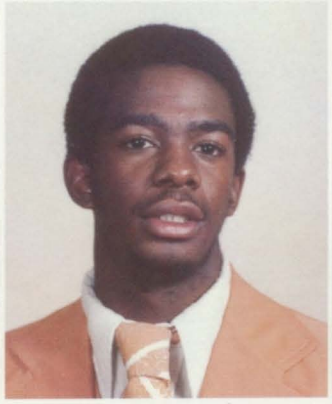
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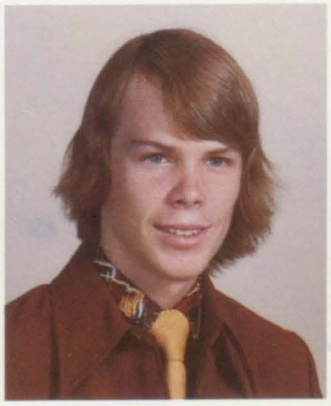
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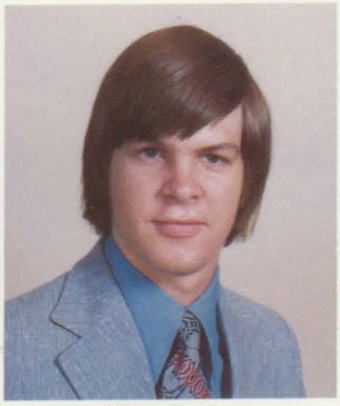
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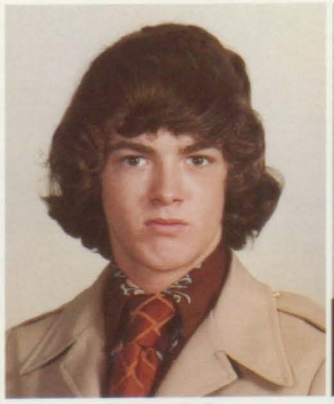
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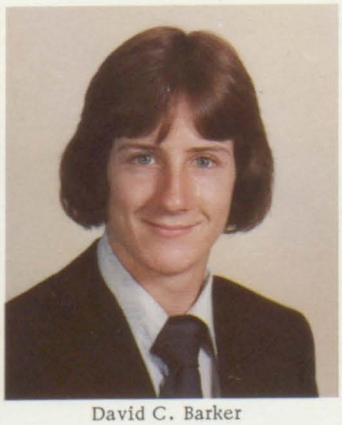
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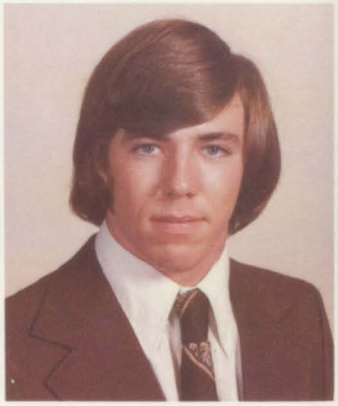
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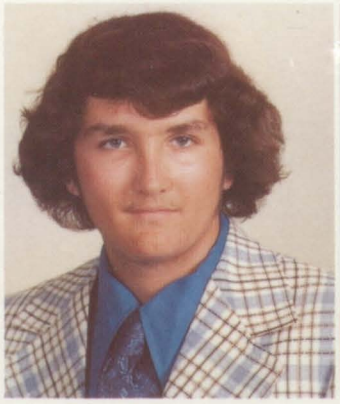
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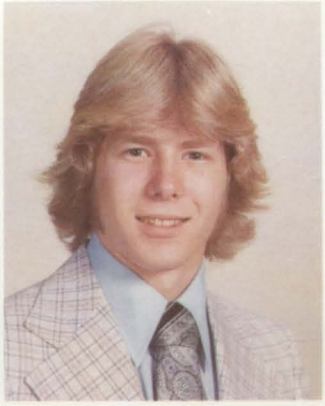
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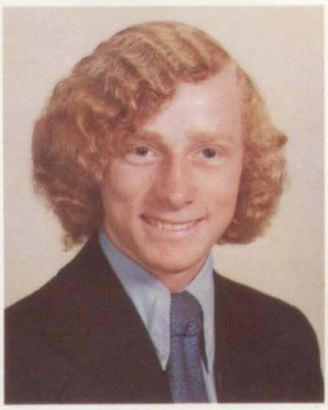
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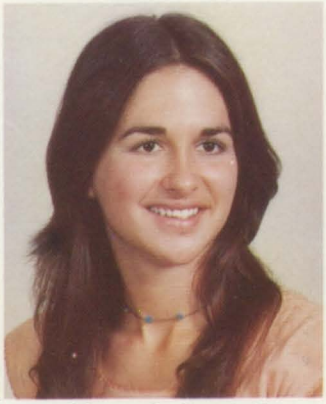
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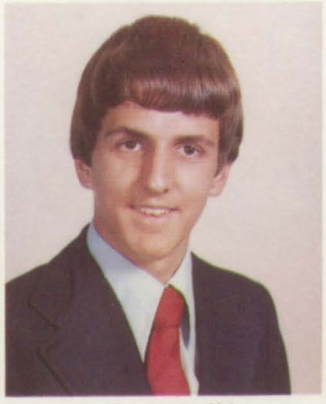
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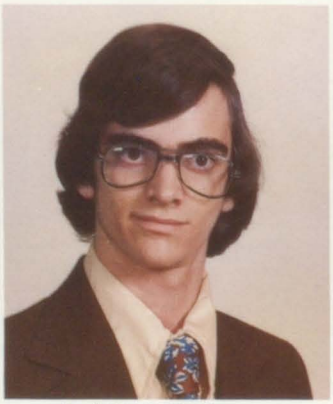
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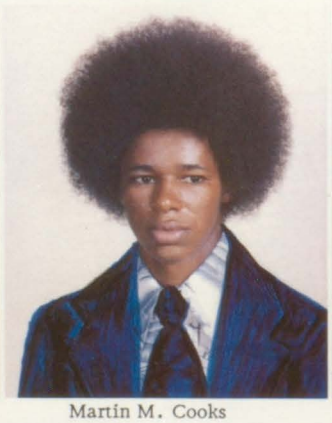
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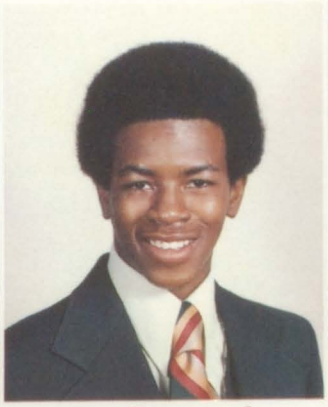
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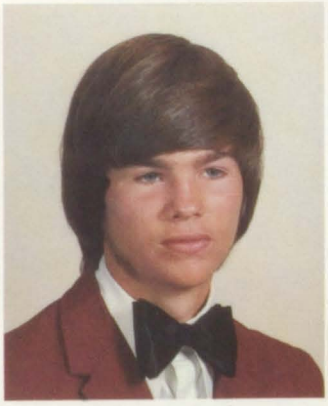
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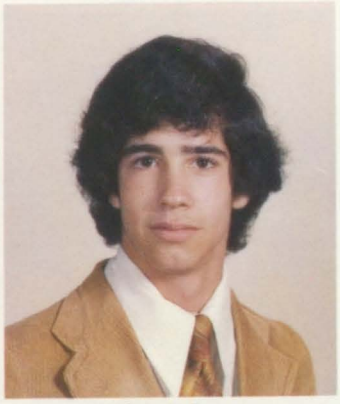
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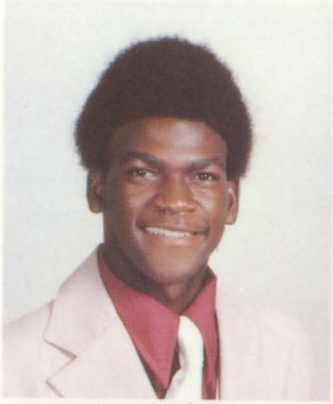
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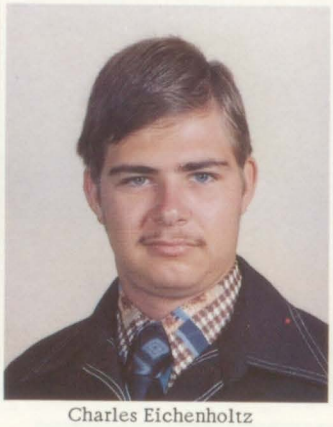
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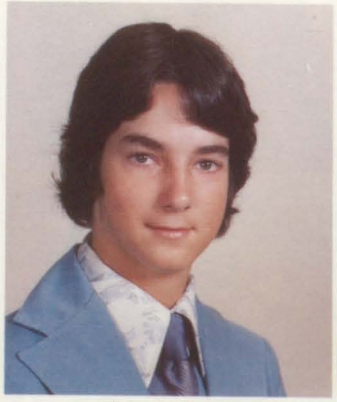
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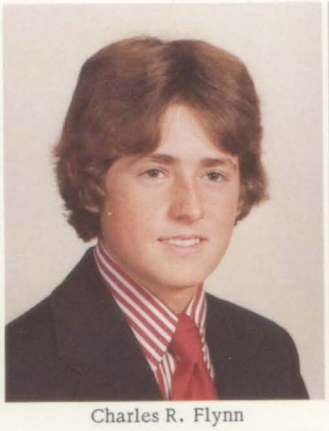
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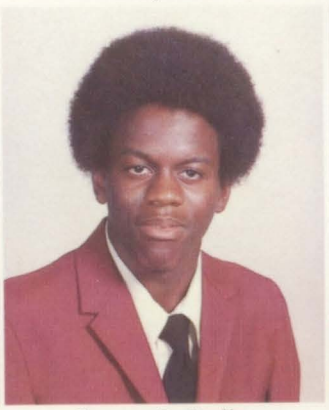
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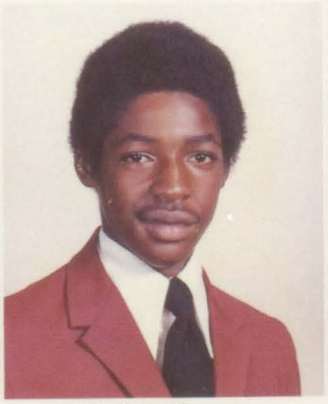
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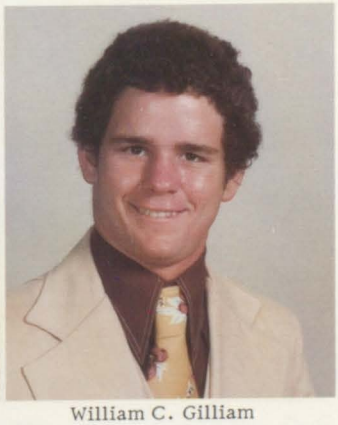
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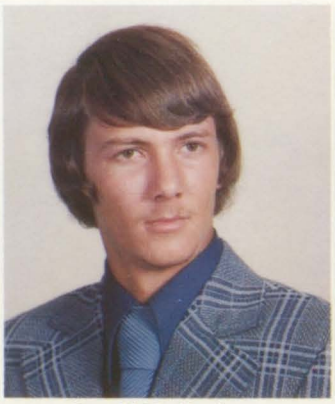
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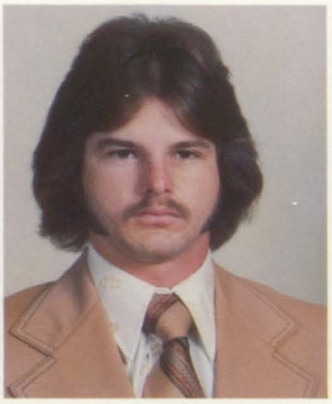
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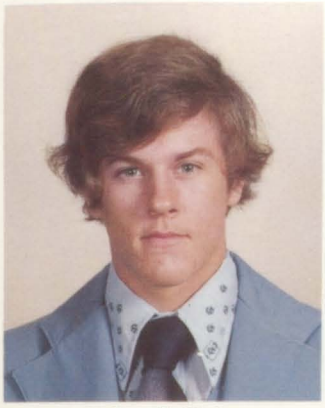
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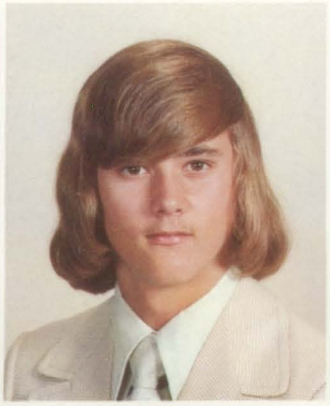
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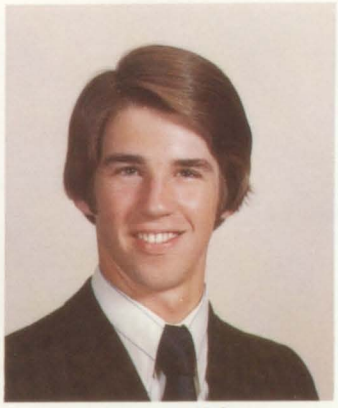
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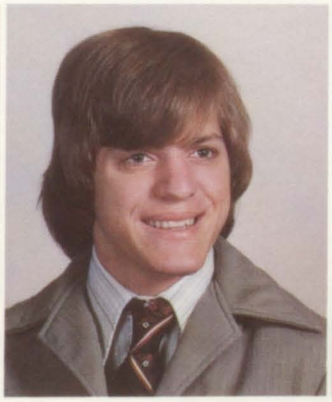
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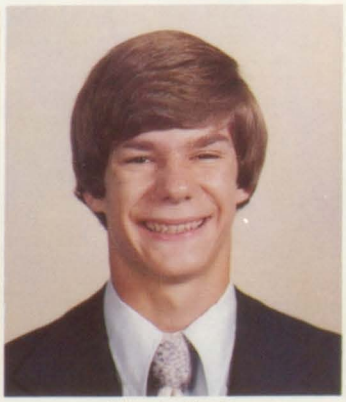

John A. Hughes

Cheerleaders: Top to Bottom: Diane Cooper, Allison Wafer, Debbie Bonnevier, Laura Gallagher (Head Cheerleader), Gwen Johnson.

SENIORS Accepted the

Cathy Hulsizer

Melissa D. Humphrey

Richard Ingram

Bobbie Ivy

Sandra Jackson

Sandra Jeter

Teresa Jeter

Carranza V. Johns

Beth R. Johnson

Brunson M. Johnson

Gwendolyn Johnson

Jacqueline Johnson

Dana Atkins, Pep Squad Vice-President; Steve Malone, Band Assistant Drum Major.

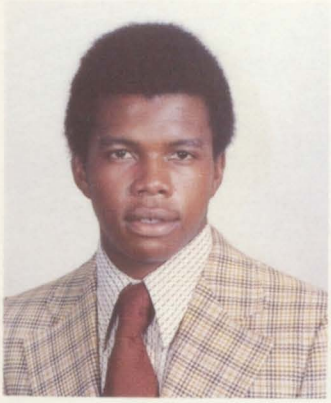
Responsibilities of Leadership Positions

John Johnson

Margo M. Johnson

Roberta J. Johnson

Rosie M. Johnson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Michael C. Jones

Virginia L. Jones

Ronalee D. Jorgensen

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Mary E. Labor

Phillip K. Labor

SENIORS Completed Their Academic

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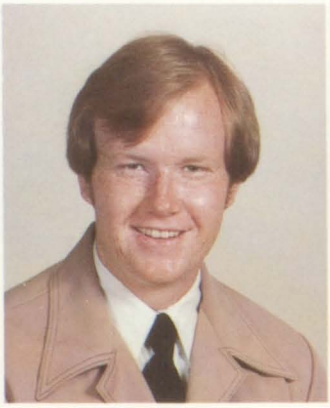
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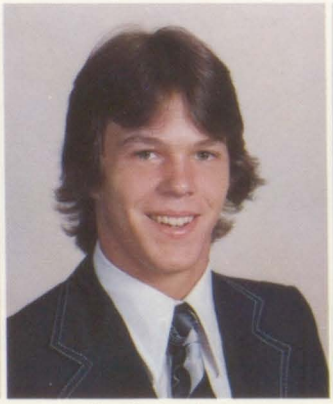
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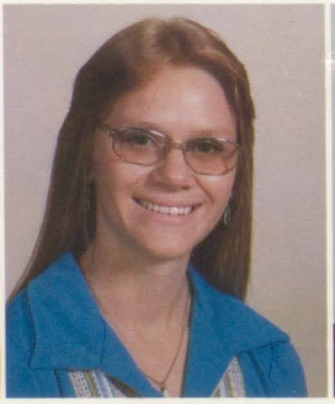
Laura C. Lodato

Kenneth A. Loftin

Courses With an Eye on the Future

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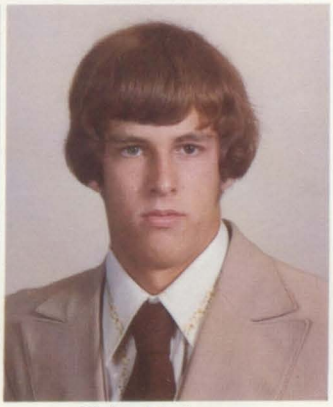
John D. Long

Lynda K. Lord

Linda K. Lovil

Sharon E. Luttrell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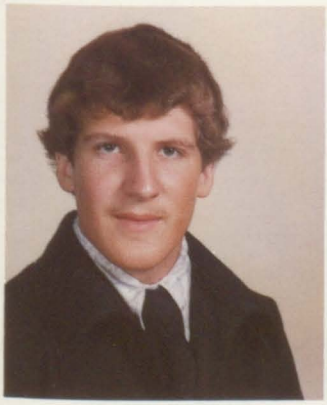
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Janet Kozak, Student Council Secretary; Lance Rist, GUSHER Co-Associate Editor.

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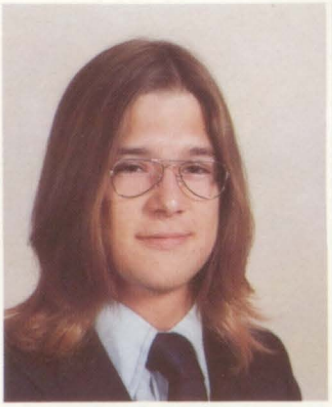
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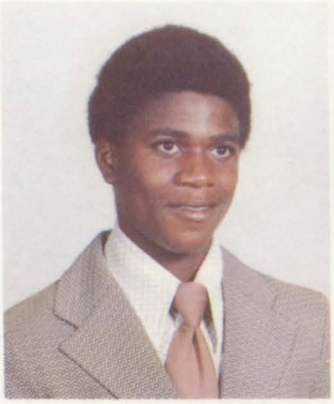
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Kathleen McClanahan

Roger C. McCoy

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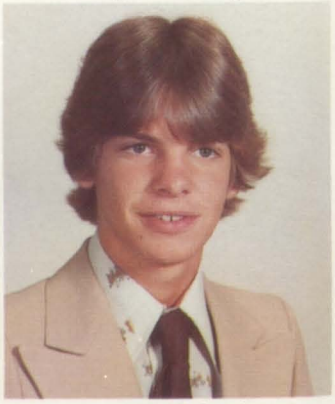
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Kelly Miller

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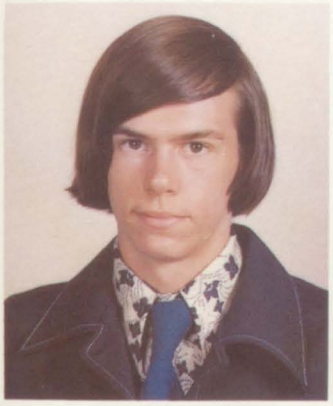
Donna Milton

Frank Minion

Ricky Minion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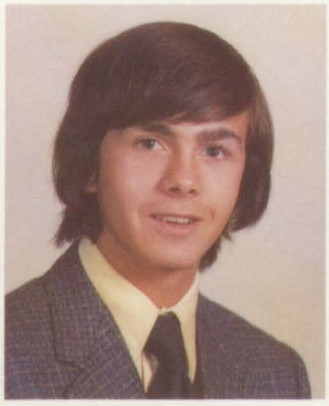
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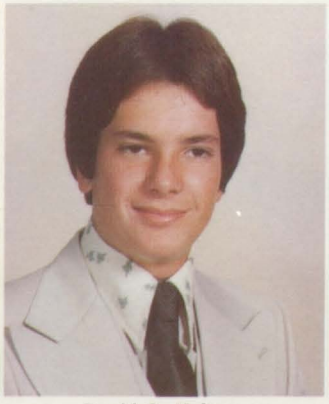
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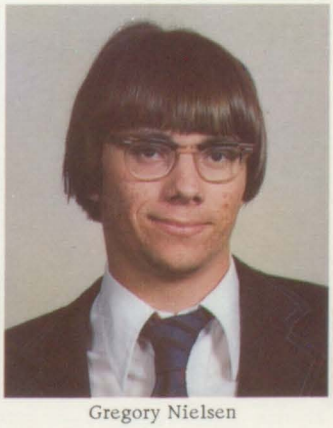
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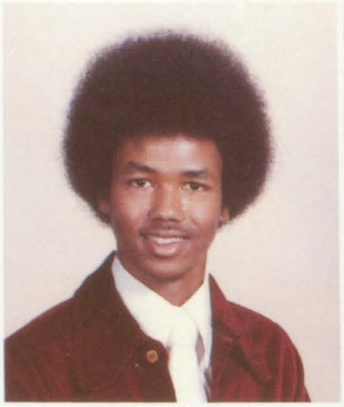
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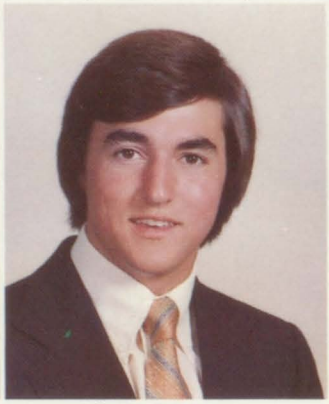
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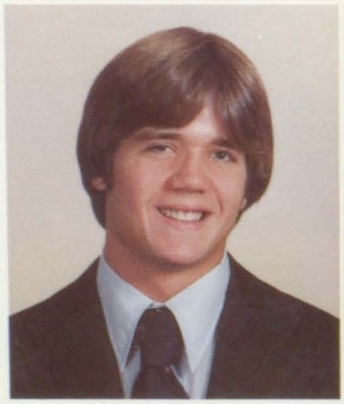
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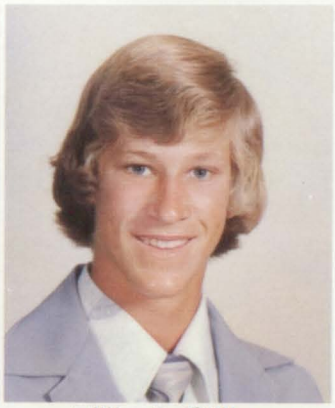
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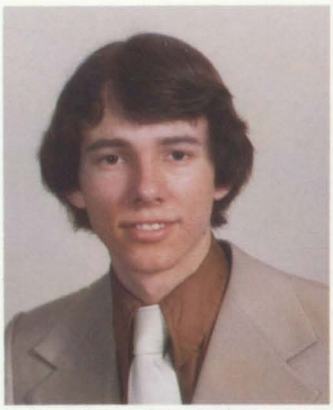
ROTC Instructed SENIORS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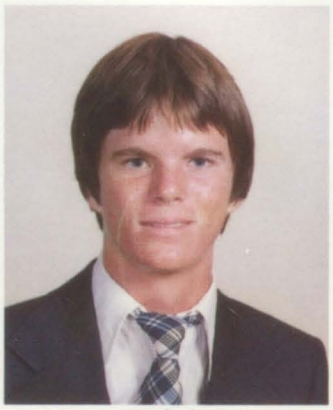
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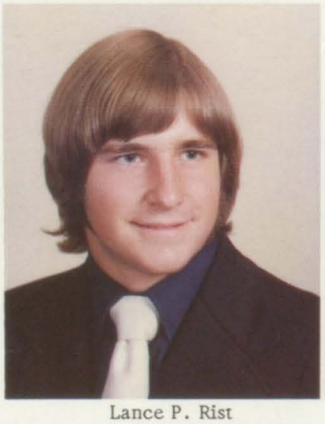
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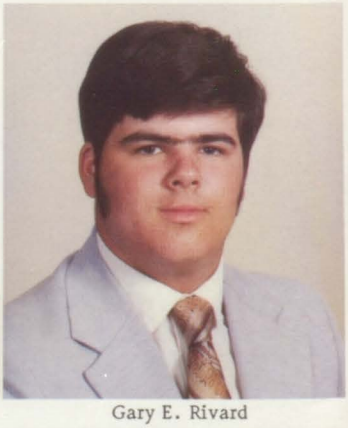
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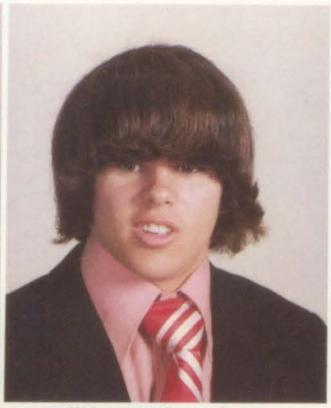
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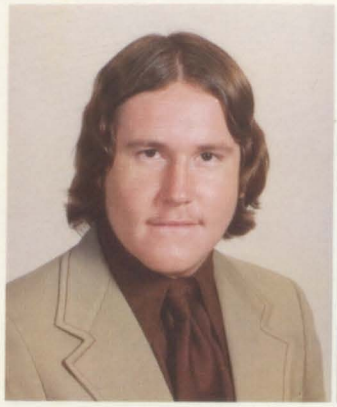
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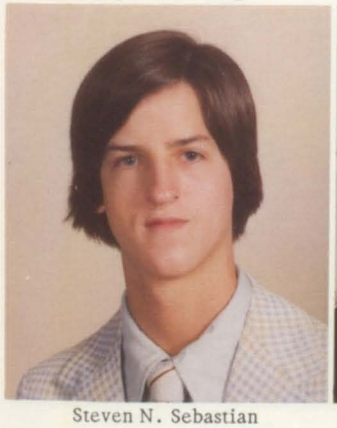
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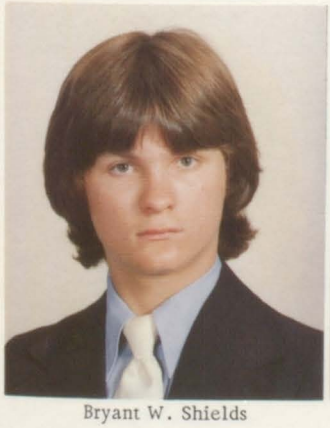
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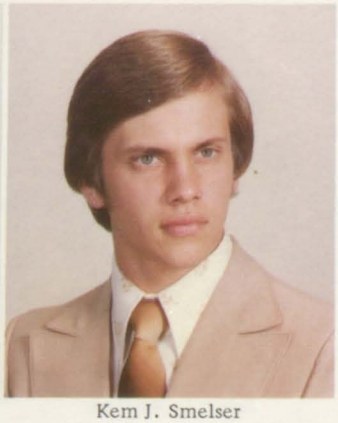
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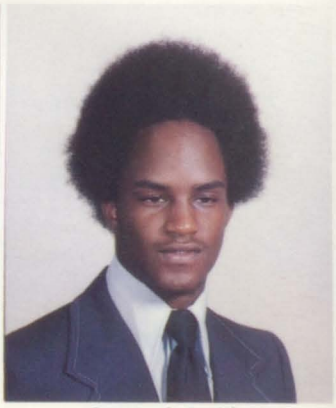
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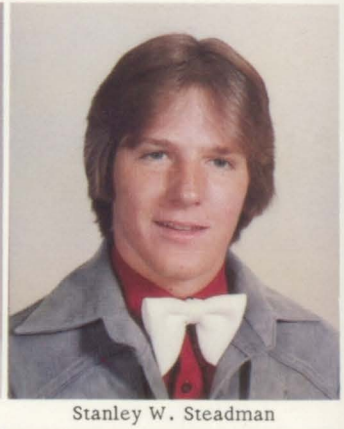
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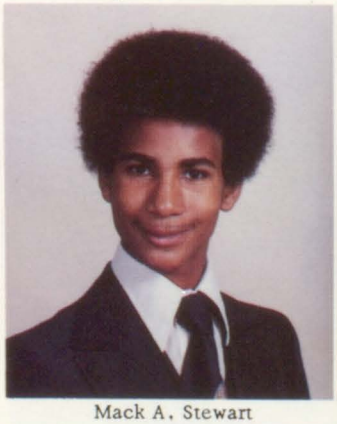
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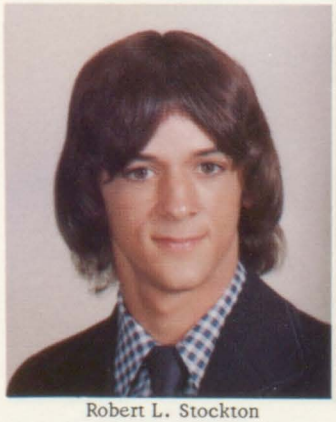
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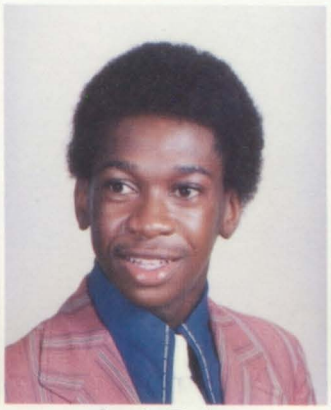
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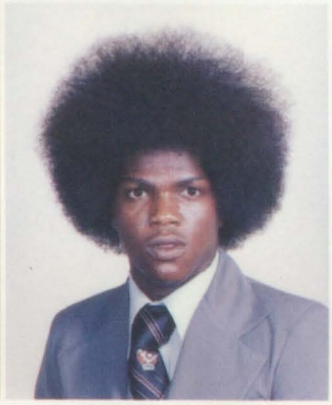
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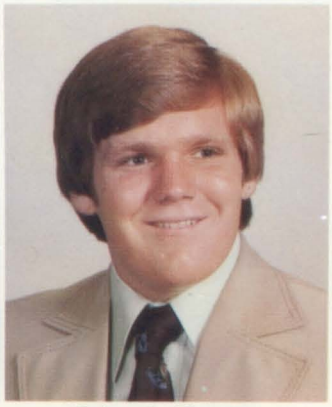
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Wanda Thompson

Vince Fulco, Leo Club President; Robert Youngman, Key Club President.

SENIORS Participated

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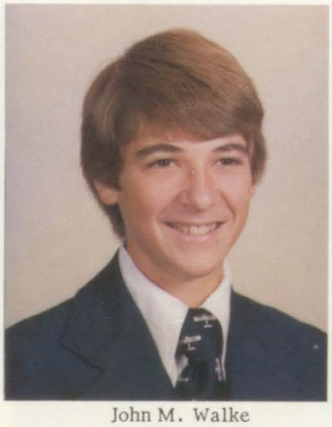
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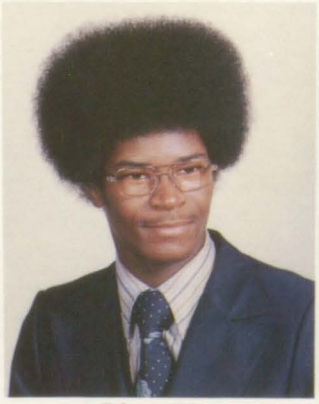
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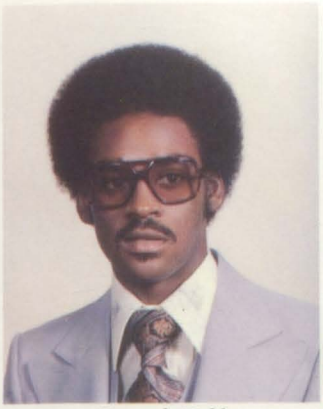
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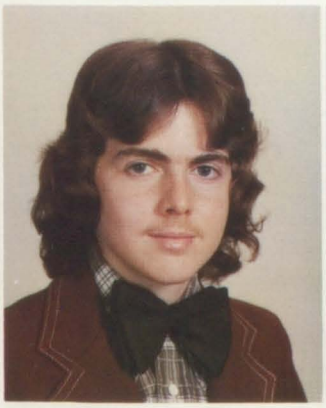
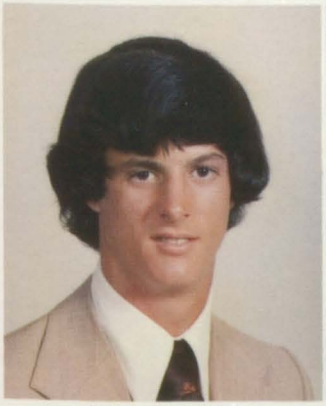
Pearlie B. Williams

Bridget R. Willis


Steven W. Wilson

Vickie R. Wilson


Robert G. Wisby

Robert D. Wise

Mattie Tebele, Pep Squad Treasurer; Lynn Akins, Pep Squad President; Melvin Lacour, Band Drum Major.

Homecoming Court

Alan Woodall

Sarah A. Wooley

Holly L. Young

Lizia Young

Willie Young, Jr.

Samuel Youngblood

Robert P. Youngman

Nancy K. Zesch

The 1976-77 Homecoming Court members were: Queen, Qwen Johnson; Football Sweetheart, Laura Gallagher; Princess, Margaret Bell; Maids: Sonia Sloan, Twone Cooper, Tina Feldt, Ramona Emanuel; Football Bearer, Patrick Gallagher; Crown Bearer, Jacqueline Hedgemon.

Honored SENIORS

Senior members of Pep Squad cheered with enthusiasm in their Go West Day attire.

Dr. B. L. Shaw recognized Douglas Caulkins and Lance Rist as National Merit semi-finalists.

During an assembly, Coach Jimmy Harrison presented the senior football players to the student body.

Singing "Love Me Tender," Scott Politz portrayed Elvis Presley in a skit.

John Patten introduced Scott Peavy, portraying a gorilla, in a commercial of an Interact Club skit.

JUNIORS Chose

Pam McPherson bought a GUSHER from Mrs. Phalamae Gray.

Diana Abney and Jan Cathey checked their "Z" club boxes in Mrs. Elizabeth Pabody's room.

Mike Johnson and Vickie Galloway participated in a lab experiment in Miss Mary Norris' Chemistry class.

Enthusiastic Officers

Junior class officers were: Becky Seidensticker, Treasurer; Liz Whittington, Parliamentarian; Laura Renfro, Vice President; Joe Richardson, Sergeant-at-Arms; Greg DeFatta, President.

Juniors' spirit was evident in their many activities. These eleventh graders held various positions in Pep Squad, sports, and service clubs. They enjoyed being at the City of Byrd, knowing that they had two years behind them and only one year to go. The seniors of 1978 were enthusiastic in everything they did. They planned the Junior Prom and anxiously awaited the arrival of their senior rings. To prepare for college, these upperclassmen took such tests as the PSAT/NMSQT and the ACT in the fall and spring respectively.

The officers who served this year were Greg DeFatta, President; Laura Renfro, Vice President; Marilyn Harris, Secretary; Becky Seidensticker, Treasurer; Joe Richardson, Sergeant-at-Arms; and Liz Whittington, Parliamentarian.

Peggy Fraser spent much of her free time in the library.

Nominees for class officers were: FIRST ROW: Laurie Davison, Sophia Davis, Deanna Booras, Diana Abney, Ann Perkins. SECOND ROW: Vickie Galloway, Susan Montano, Lois Wingfield, Anginetta Clark, Sherri Burleigh. THIRD ROW: Susan Duncan, Elaine Mayo, Regina McShan, Melissa Marsh, Rhonda Statham.

JUNIORS Competed

Diana Elizabeth Abney
Georgann Albright
Dean Allison
Beverly J. Anderson
Linda Gale Angeles

Kimberly Edith Angevine
Annie Carolyn Ashley
Katherine Theresa Ashley
Richard James Austin
Pamela Ann Bagley

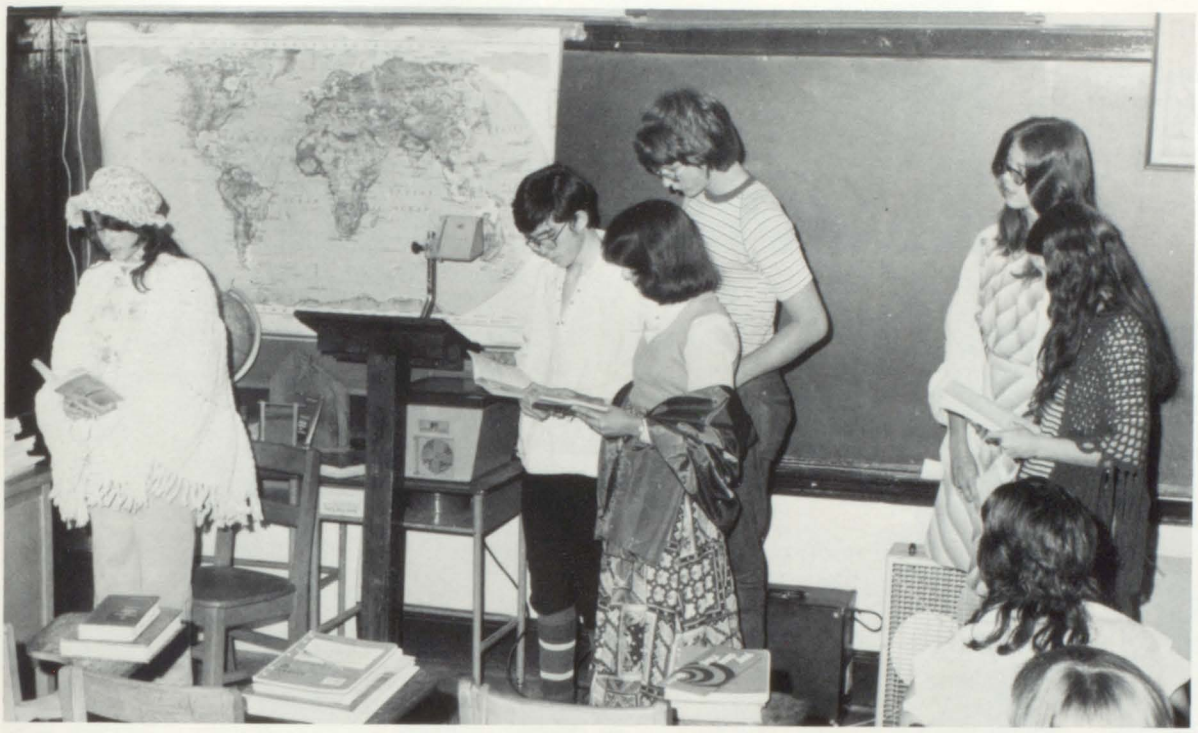
Debbie Lois Bains
Joe Balistrella
Geneva Babers
Marian Wright Bell
Brandon Scott Benefield

Braxton George Berkley
Harriett Ellen Boddie
John David Bolton
Sandy Sue Bonfardine
Robert Louis Bolin

Donald Bonner
Ronald Bonner
Donald Gilbert Bonnette
Deanna E. Booras
Blaine McDermott Borders

James Michael Boston
Billy Boswell
Cassandra Boult
Franklin Scott Bounds
Donna Renee Bradford

for Spirit Stick



Juniors in Miss Barbara Whitehead's first period American History class participated in a panel on Salem witchcraft.

Rose Anna Bradford
Brigida Meshell Brandly
Mimi Kay Brandt
Alicia Lyn Briney
Cheryl L. Britt

Harriet Anita Brown
Kathy Denise Brown
Alaric Dwain Bryan
Sherri Marie Burleigh
Randy Burnett

Lemont Vance Burns
Patricia Lynne Cain
William Clay Calhoun
Leah Campbell
Thomas Raymond Campbell

JUNIORS Studied

Daren Lemont Cannon
Barbara Ann Carter
Phyllis Kaye Carter
Theresa Marie Cascio
Jan Cathey

Dawn Jorgensen helped to form the "J" line at the Go West Day game.

David Lee Caulkins
Johnnie Ruth Chambers
William Edward Charrier

Gayle Cheatwood
Harry Connell Claiborne
Mary Ann Clark

Yvonne Clarkson
Nancy Carole Coleman
Robbie Shirl Coleman

Joseph Timothy Cooper
Lisa Ann Cranford
Richard Kris Dalby

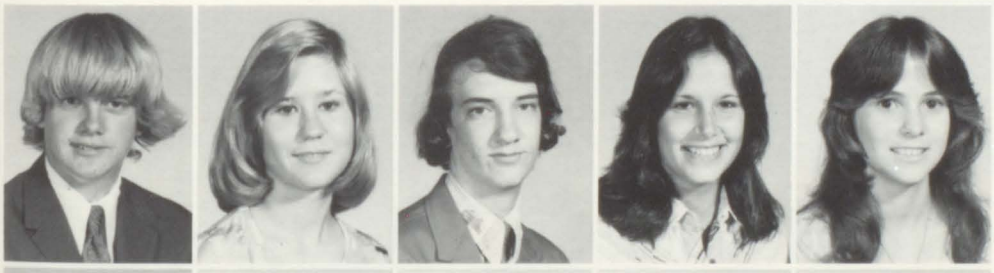
John F. D'Anna
Jerry Wayne Davis
Sophia Yvett Davis
Geannie Marie Davidson
Laurie Lee Davison

American Literature

Sherry Lynn Deason
Noreen DeVries
Shelia Ann Dew
Denette DeYoung
James Scott Dickson

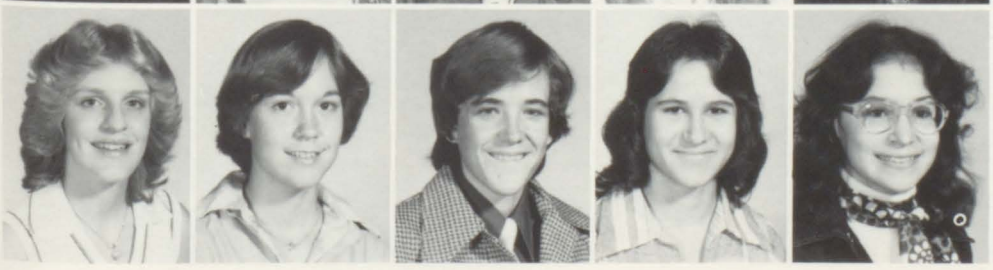
Donis Mary Dietrich
Rob H. Dixon
John T. Dobyns
Beverly Diane Draughn
Susan Darlene Duncan

Timothy A. Eaton
Aambrose Latone Edwards
Cindy Efferson
Kathleen Rose Eichler
Karen Lynett Elzie



Monty Lynn Erickson
Cheri Ann Feldt
Shawn Patrick Fenton
Lauren Fillet
Laura Jane Flowers

Clifton Ford
Laurali Joy Foster
Shannon Fraiser
Elizabeth Fraser
Tina Marie Fulco



Vickie Galloway
Helen Meredith Gates
David Randall Gibson
Sheila Ann Giro
Elaine R. Gomolsky

JUNIORS Planned

Steven Rhea Gordon
Henry Patrick Graham
Chris Thomas Gras
Sallie Virginia Green
Yvonne Devetta Griffin

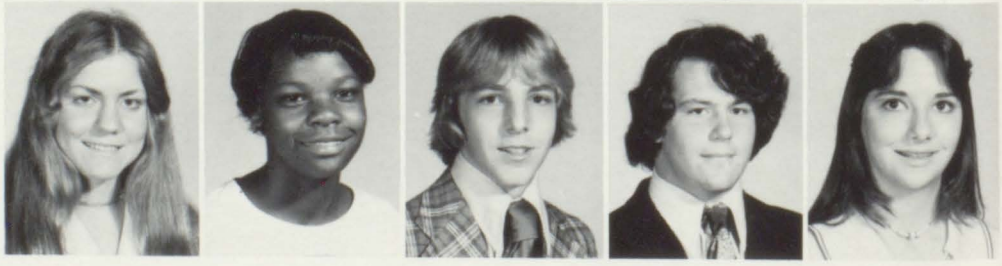
Calvin Lamar Griffith
Eleanor Teresa Guerin
Rebekah Ann Hamm
Charles Herbert Hanna
Gwendolyn Hardman

Bill Jeff Harper
Judson Patrick Harper
Bailey David Harris
Larry James Harris
Marilyn Faye Harris

Felton Harrison
Debbie Jean Harvey
Vicki Renci Hays
Hailey Hicks
Joseph Roger Hill

Pinkie Lee Hill
Mary E. Hodges
Vickie Kay Holland
William Boyd Holley III
Jerry Scott Holtby

Robin G. Horton
Debra Ann Hughes
George R. Hughes
Goldwyn Leo Hutto
Susan Lee Hyde



Junior Prom

John Robert Ingram
Keith Ronald Irvin
Donald Wayne Jack
Cynthia Deloris Jackson
Ramona Gail Jamerson

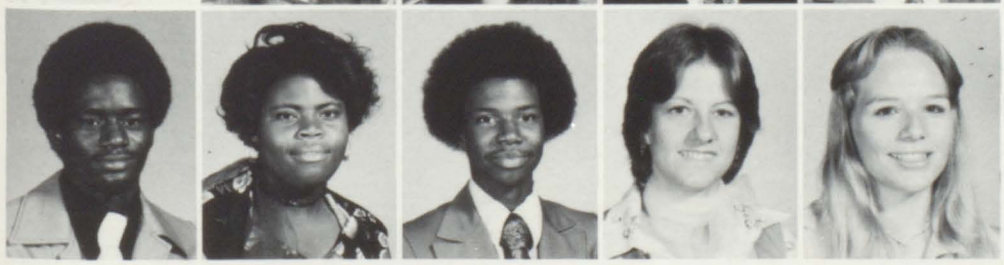
Deborah Renee Johnson
Delores Ann Johnson
Michael Neal Johnson
Carolyn N. Jones
Cassandra Faye Jones

Gwendolyn Suzette Jones
Dawn Jorgensen

Six Junior boys portrayed cheerleaders in the Pep Squad.

Brad Allen Kimbrell
Julia Elizabeth Knight

Leigh Anne Kreeger
Elizabeth Ann Labor
Susan Laine LaBorde
Timothy Lee Lambrecht
Randy Joe Lanning



Eric Ander Latson
Linda Faye Lawrence
Roy W. Lester
Lydia Marie LeVasseur
Kim Denise Lewiston

JUNIORS Participated

Richard D. Liles
Teresa Logan
Carol Jane Lowder
Charles Lowder
Lisa Lucas

Kathleen Lyons
Melissa Lee Marsh
Cindy Carolyn Martin
Kenneth Wayne Maxie
Joseph Alton Mathis

Junior Pep Squad members participated in the Ruston pep rally.

Elaine Mayo
Cheryl Diane McCoy
Beverly Annette McCulloch
Walter J. McCurry
Virgil Clara McDaniel

Cynthia McFann
Cheryl Dianne McFarland
Charles Raymond McLendon
Tom O'Neal McLeod
Brenda Kay McMillon

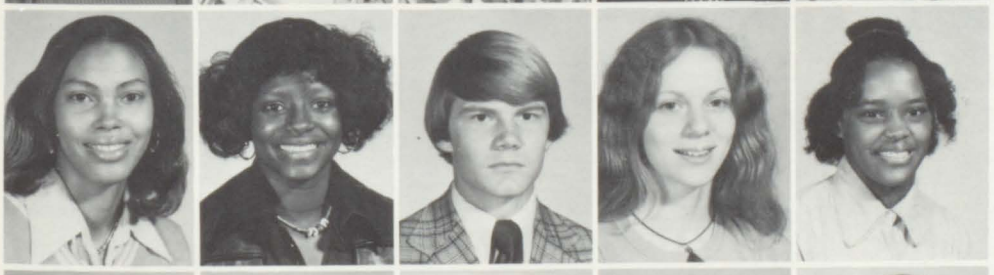
in Many Pep Rallies

Michael McMillon
Pam K. McPherson
Regina Kay McShan
Robert S. Mead
Melissa D. Miller

Maxine Milton
Mary Jane Minor
Linda Marie Mjaseth
Susan Alison Montano
Beverly Moore

Deborah Demetri Morrison
Shirley Ann Mosley
Jackie Juanita Moss
Darrell Mullen
David Randall Murphree

Unnetta Murphey
Eileen Carol Nance
Robert Earl Nelson
Son Ky Nguyen
Kevin Ray Nichols



Angela Eugenia O'Bannon
Gwendolyn Denyse Odear
Clifford William Oglesby
Gabrielle Annette Oliver
Eva Marie Osby

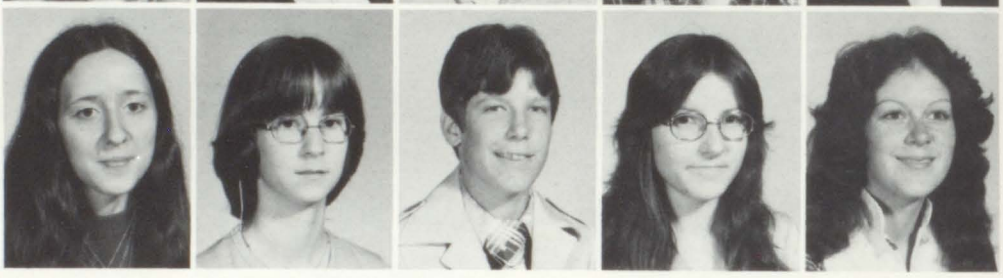
Sonia Lee Owens
David J. Pace
Susan Laurie Palmerton
Paul Clarencetta
James Michael Payne

JUNIORS Had Fun

Cornelia Tressa Payton
Mary Margaret Pearson
Beth Pennington
Loyd H. Pentecost
Gary L. Perkins

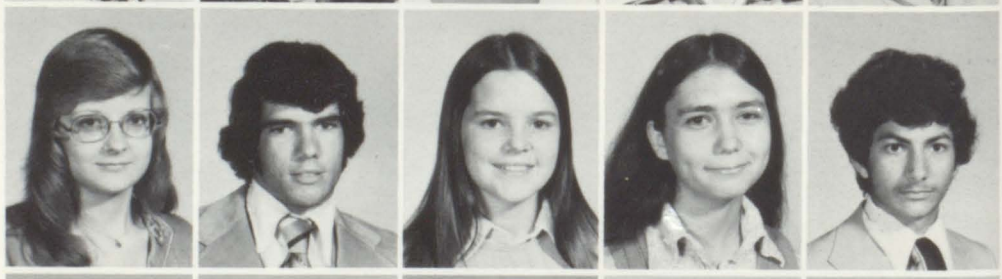
Dolores A. Perkins
Helen Marie Perry
Rebecca Elizabeth Peter
Patricia Elizabeth Phillips
Phil Edward Phillips

Debbie Gail Ponder
Karen Leslie Poss
Micael Prest
Lori Anna Puckett
Anne Stokes Randall



David Eugene Ray
Melissa Laura Ray
Ivy Lynn Reddix
Laura J. Renfro
Noelton Richard Reid

Terri M. Reid
Joseph Alfred Richardson
Adrienne Lea Richmond
Robin Leah Robbins
Charles Rodriguez



Janice Elizabeth Rodwell
Randy D. Rossi
Dan Markham Sandifer
Dawn Schmitt
David Edward Schwartz

at the Homecoming Dance

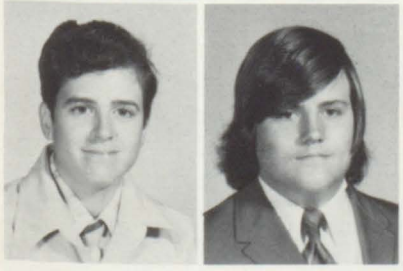
Becky Anne Seidensticker
John Chris Shackelford
Debra Kay Sharpe
Charles Louis Shirley
Clifton Alan Shoumaker

Cecelia Singleton
Jere Jane Shuler
Mary B. Slagle
Patricia Ann Small
Franklin Smith

Mary Bell Smith
Peter W. Smith
Rhonda Renee Statham
Mary Dorenda Steadman
Lanette Vicki Stephenson

Nancy Ellen Stokes
Cathey L. Stookey

Charles W. Stricklin
Robert Byron Stringer



Robert Wayne Tanner
Paul Stephen Taylor

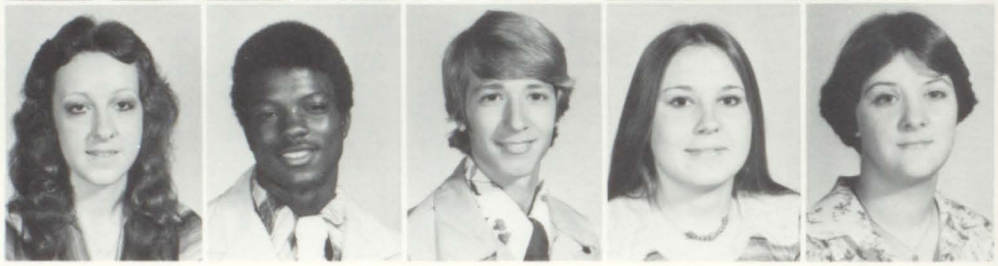
Dan Sandifer enjoyed himself at the Homecoming dance.

JUNIORS Anticipated

Patricia Ann Thomas
Glenda Ann Thomason
Vickie Lynn Tingle
Valerie Toliver
Hanh Thi Tran

Theresa M. Troutman
Byron Eugene Trust
Brenda Joyce Turner
Mike J. Turner
Monica Denise Turner

Vera Van Norman
Gerald Wade
Rendall Carruth Walker
Lorryann Wallace
Greta G. Waller



Barbara Ann Ward
Kathy Ann Ware
Lisa Love Warren
Dan Webb
Charles D. West

Bobby Neal Whalen
Reynolds White
Liz Whittington
John William Wiese
Debra Jeannie Wilkins

Amelia Jane Williams
Beverly Ann Williams
Debra Williams
Donna Dianne Williams
Herman Lee Williams

Excitement of Senior Year

Willie Mae Williams
Deborah A. Williamson
Antoinette Daphaine Wilson
Sandra Gail Winderweedle

Lois Elaine Wingfield
Mary Loretta Woolley
Linda Marie York
James Donald Young

John L. Young
Jenny Mills Younker

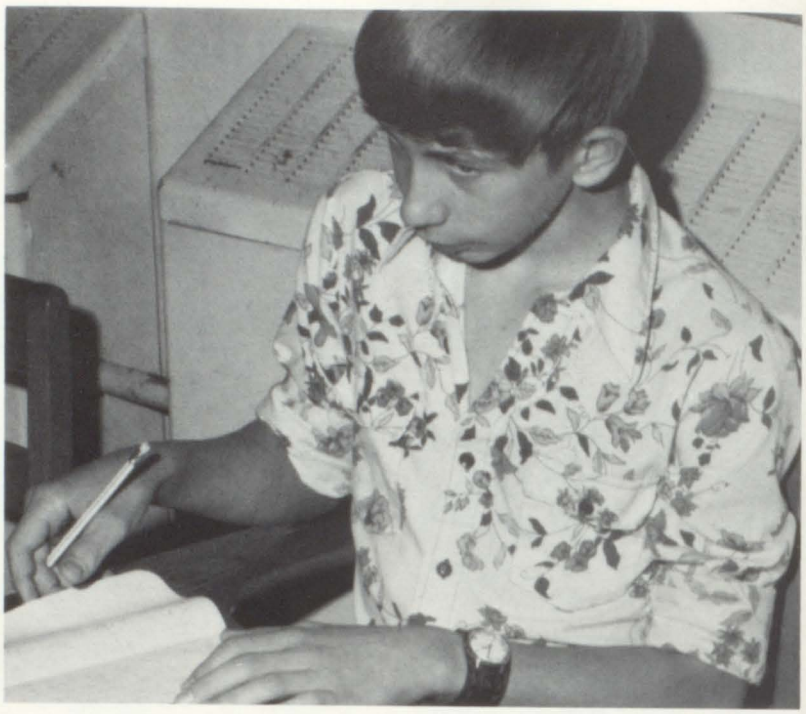
Deb Williamson, Student Council Parliamentarian, prepared the class notebooks.

Laura Renfro and Cal Griffith assisted each other as they ordered senior rings.

SOPHOMORES Began Three

The year 1977 was a good one for the Sophomores. The class proved to be very valuable through their participation in various service clubs and organizations such as debate team, Band, and GUSHER. They took part in events such as Go West Day and Pep rallies. Many sophomores served on the Student Council; others contributed to the success of athletics on the tennis, basketball and football teams.

The class displayed spirit by winning the spirit stick twice. Many attended various sport events, and showed spirited enthusiasm by painting banners and posters to be hung at the games. In academics, Sophomores showed excellent ability and outstanding leadership as they prepared for another two years at Byrd.

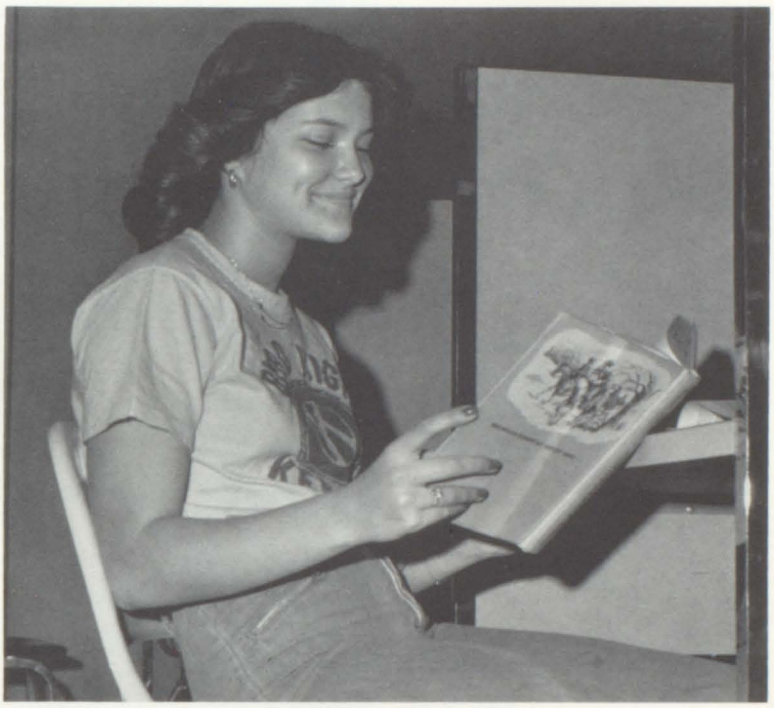


Matt Rains helped Miss Wanda Whittington by grading papers.

Sophomore class officers were: Clint Griffith, President; Liz Oglesby, Vice-President; Susan Hodge, Secretary; Debra Williams, Treasurer; Wendy Williams, Parliamentarian; Mark Leonard, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Memorable Years at Byrd

Yolanda Richardson and Zelda Tucker looked through a GUSHER on their spare time.



During study hall Colette Clark studied for a test.

Those nominated for Sophomore class officers were, FRONT ROW: Chip Cowan, Sue Jue, Yolonda Richardson. SECOND ROW: Carla Efferson, Zelda Tucker, Lisa Hanby, Connie Bunkem. THIRD ROW: John Berton, Cecelia Singleton, Jeb Palmer, Kyle Labor, Elmer Slagle, Felonesecia Walker.

SOPHOMORES Began Taking

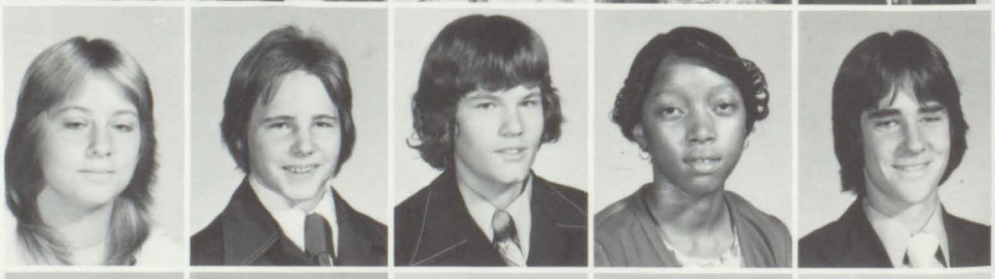
Henry Abercombia
Dan Ailstock
Mary Akins
Freddie Alderson
Cordell Allen

Danette Allen
Julie Anderson
Lynn Applebaum
Debra Armer
Sredni Autrey

Craig Atkins
Leesa Ayres
Michael Ayers
Bobby Balentine
Bonn Bailey

Robert Bain
Jamie Bales
Robert Balthazar
Kathy Balzrette
Ronnie Barber

Janice Barker
Tom Baudoin
James Bell
Michelle Berkley
John Berton

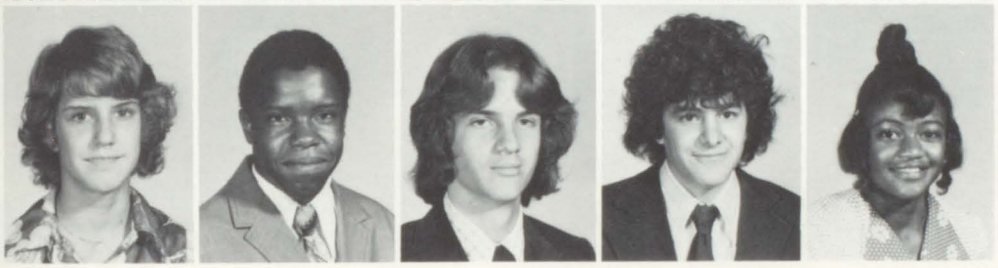


Wesley Beshea
Jack Bigner
Grace Bobbitt
Cathey Bonvillian
Ann Bowman

Their Elective Classes

Stephanie Boyette
Sheila Brandly
Allen Brown
Mark Brown
Donald Bruner

Tammy Buchanan
Connie Bunkem
Rand Burgess
Lavonda Byers
Sandra Byers



Tammy Cain
Victor Cain
Kenneth Cambell
Gene Carstensen
Carolyn Carter

Lisa Carter
Pearletta Carter

Casey Clark
Jason Clark

Michael Clawson
Susan Clements

Barbara Fuller strengthened her skills in typing.

SOPHOMORES Participated in

Sandy Clifton
Thad Coburn
Barbara Coney
Lisa Conner
Dina Cook

Joe Cooley
Travis Cooper
Laura Costello
Charles Cotton
Mary Courtney

Brain Cowan
Derrett Craig
Steve D'Amato
Barbara Davidson
Phillip Davidson

Rosalind Davis
Douglas Davison
Sharon Deforge
Lucy Dehart
John Devries

John Dornbush
Randy Dowden
Betty Edwards
Carla Efferson
John Eichler

Sharon Ellis
Jack Ellisor
Wanda Elzie
Terry England
Mamie Farley

Extra Curricular Activities

Kathy Fenton
Thurston Ferrell
Becky Finkbohner
Rosie Fleming
Brenda Fletcher

Jennifer Ford
Karen Franks
Michael Frazier
Barbara Fuller
Louie Galloway

Melissa Garacci
Alice Gednetz
Pamela Ghoston
Walter Gibbs
Melanie Grant

Clint Griffith and Jimmy Oliver looked over the school bulletin board before class.

SOPHOMORES Filled the Year

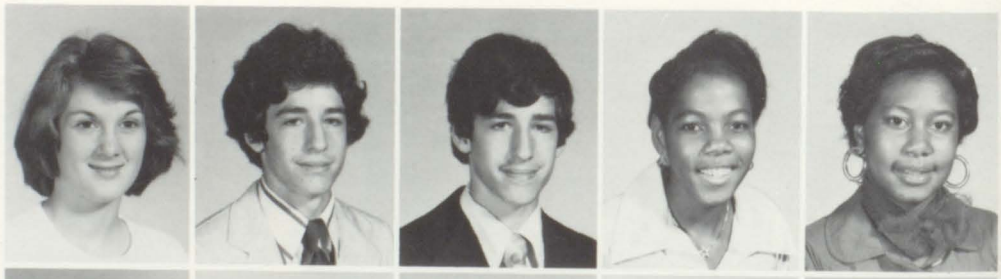
Between classes Warren Boone selected books for his next period class.

Greg Gras
John Gras

Robert Gras
Joyce Griffin

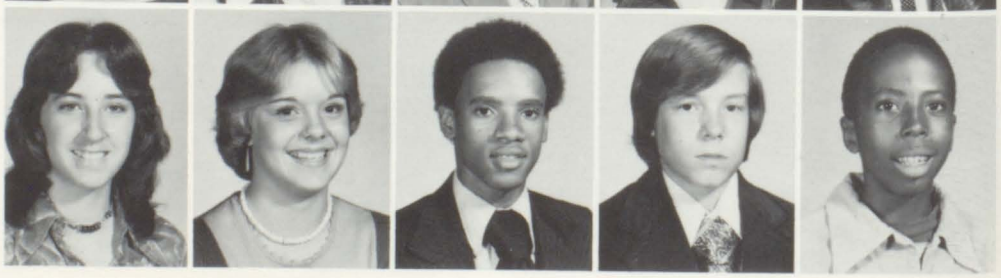
Angelia Griffith
Clint Griffith

Denise Guckert
Frank Halk
John Halk
Roberta Hall
Yolanda Hall



Lisa Hanby
Vanessa Harris
Willie Harris
Lisa Hartsell
Cindy Havard

Dorinda Hawkins
Heather Hayes
Chappelle Henderson
John Hendrick
Stephan Henry



With Activities

Emerk Higdon
Anthony Hill
Jane Hines
Matt Hirsch
Geneva Hobley

Suzan Hodge
Debbie Ann Hoffmann
Cynthia Holland
Diane Hollenshead
Pallie Hopkins

Stephen Horn
David Houston
Jeanne Howard
Newton Hunsicker
Martha Hutto

Kenneth Ivy
Louella Jackson
Sylvia Jackson
Brenda Jacobs
Tyrone Jamison

Michael Jenkins
Donnie Jinks
John Johns
Karen Johnson
Bernice Jones

Pam Jones
Sharon Jones
Ganene Jordan
Sue Jue
Robert King

SOPHOMORES Gained Knowledge

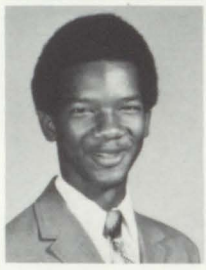
Charles Mitchell viewed one of the new books in the library.

Mrs. Margaret Gilliam assisted Mitchell Terry as he checked in school.

Yvonne King
Kyle Labor

Louise Lafitte
Sandra LaGrone

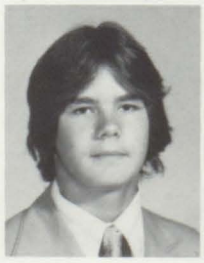
Carl Lavallais
Murtharee Lawrence



Lisa Layne
Tri Huu Le

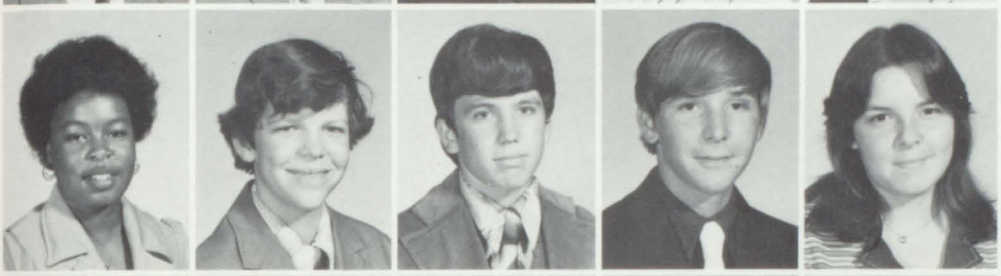
Beverly Lee
Michael Leon

Mark Leonard
Darien Lester



Through Research

Donald Lester
Mark Lewiston
Joseph Lindsay
Margaret Little
Lisa Litton



Trimell Lockett
Charles Lofton
Danny Long
James Long
Nancy Long

Colleen Lynch
William Lynch
Cindy Malone
Johanna Martin
Ricky Martin

Kathryn Mathis
Michael Mauldin
Bonnie Mayshack
Ardis McCall
Lisa McCann

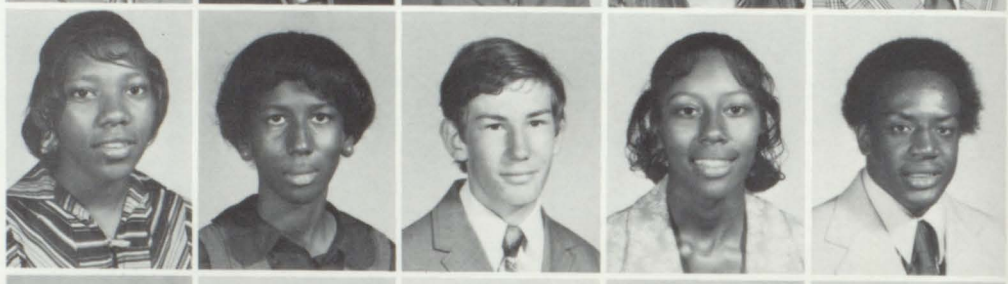
Nina McCombs
Raymond McCrory
DeWanna McGraw
Patti McGraw
Gary McFarland

Karen McQueen
Karen Mercik
Carl Meshell
Larry Meshell
Frank Messina

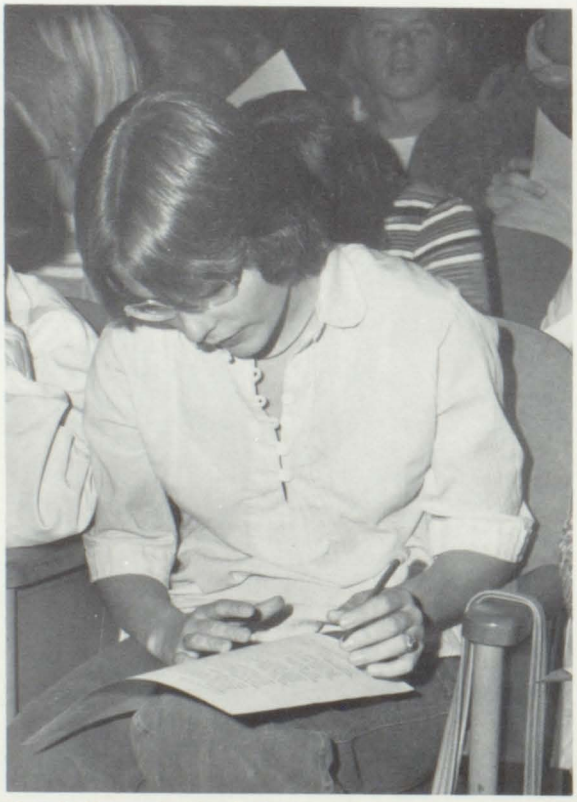
SOPHOMORES Become Interested

Arrick Mills
Chris Minor
Charles Mitchell
Anita Moon
Matt Moore

Barbara Morris
Donya Morris
Tim Moxley
Ramona Murphy
Jerry Nelson



Patti Nelson
Faith Newton
Phonq Nguyen
William Noble
Cindy Nolan



Jane Politz marked her ballot for Sophomore class officers.

Brenda Norman

Jennifer Norton

Laquette O'Bannon

in Various Activities

Elizabeth Oglesby
James Oliver
Sharon O'Neal
William Owens
Christy Owen

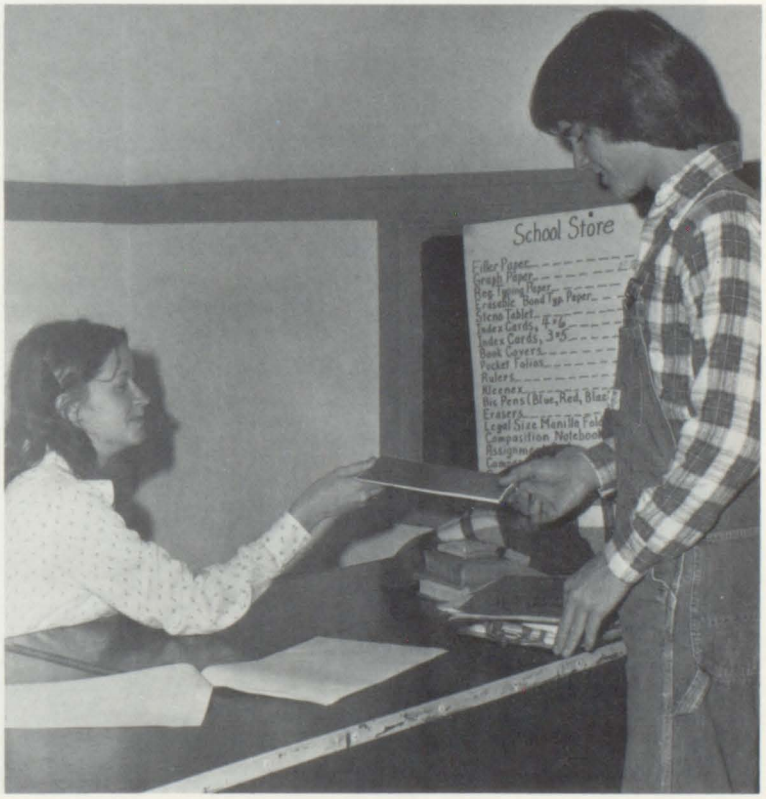
Jeb Palmer
Ricky Parker
Joyce Patterson
Charlie Paul
Andrea Peck

Helen Phelps
Chester Philen
Lorri Phillips
Graylon Pier
Liz Pittman

Jane Politz

Jay Poss

Rebecca Price



Lisa Lucus sold a tablet to John Berton in the school store.

SOPHOMORES Exercised Mind

Debra Priest
Bonnie Pruitt
Becky Randolph
Barronette Rawls
Yolonda Richardson

Pamela Risher
Sharon Rivers
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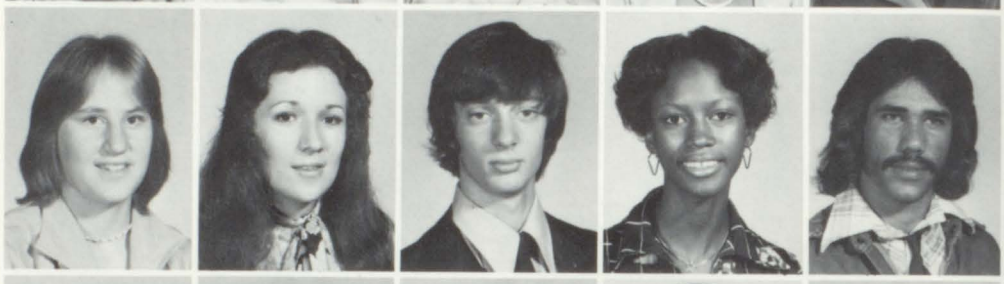
Mike Rushton

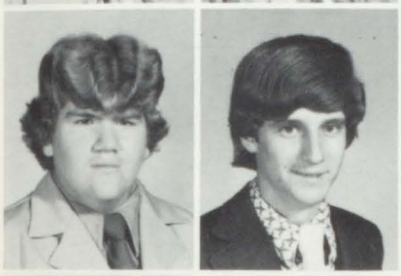


David Ryals
Donna Safstrom
Gwendolyn Samuels
Kurt Sanchez
Harry Scott

Emily Hughes, Melanie Grant, and Rosheda Wallace exercised by running up the stairs.

and Body

Carla Scroggins
Brenda Sebren



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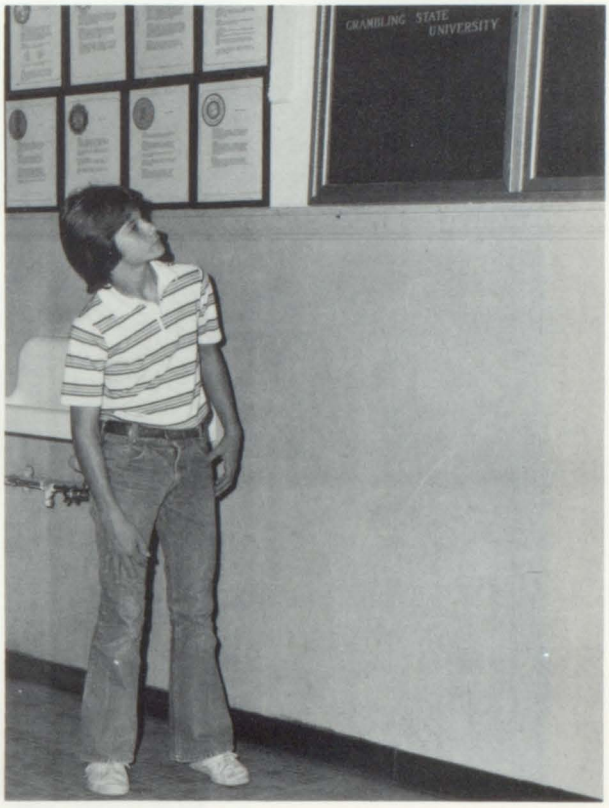
James Shaffer

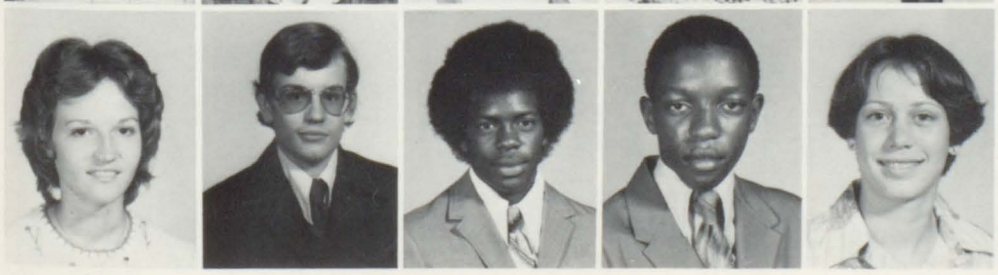
Cecelia Singleton
Brenda Skannal



Jimmy Oliver checked every morning for new announcements.

Michael Skilling
Elmer Slagle
Jacqueline Sloan
Josetta Smith
Sanford Smith

Regina Staniford
Rose Stewart
Lorna Stringer
Monica Stroker
David Tanner



Mary Tanner
Jack Taylor
Jeffery Taylor
Kenneth Taylor
Libby Taylor

Library Facilities Were Used

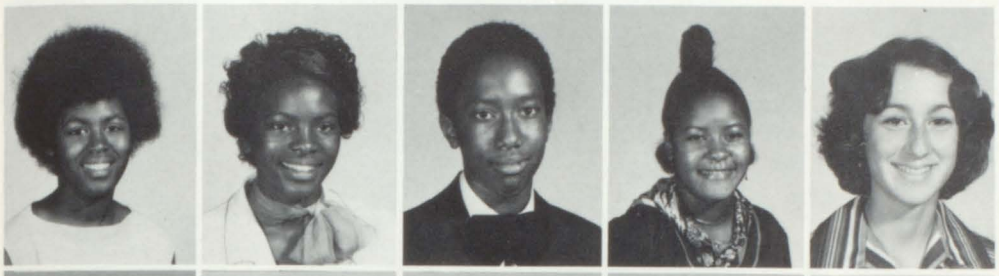
Harry Scott and Victor Cain renewed books for use over the Christmas holidays.

Andy Terzia
Angela Thomas
Feberine Thomas
Robert Tison
Steve Tisza

Zelda Tucker
Russell Turner
Vickie Turner
Christina Vincent
Larry Vines

James Wafer
Thomas Wafer
Felonesecia Walker
Stephen Walker
Linda Wallace

by SOPHOMORES



Rosheda Wallace
Joyce Walters
Ricky Ware
Shevoree Washington
Jerri Wessler

Mary Westrich
Sarah White
Debra Williams
Melvin Williams
Nan Williams

Patricia Williams
Stephen Williams
Wendy Williams
Kolene Williamson
Calvin Wilson

Kathleen Wolcott
Mike Woolley
Karen Wortman

Donald Wynn
Dominic Yanez
Penelphia Young

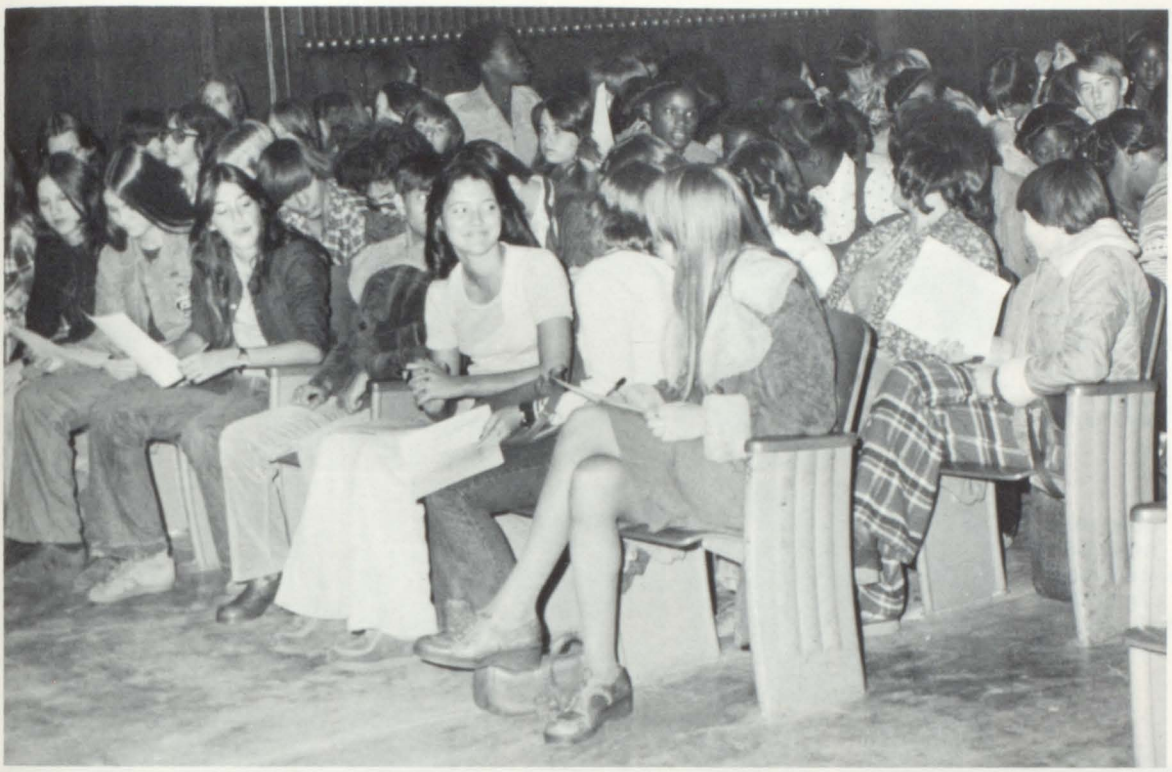
FRESHMEN Prepared for the Future

Entering Byrd for the first time, the Freshman class encountered the many aspects of high school life. Orientation day introduced the new students to the various organizations at Byrd and gave them an idea of what the years to come might bring. To become more a part of the City of Byrd, Freshmen joined service clubs, attended athletic events, and ran for class offices. While preparing to be the leaders of the future, these students grew under the influence of older schoolmates, while they came to appreciate the friendships of their fellow classmates. A time for meeting new people, learning more about life, and planning for the future - the freshman year was a time to remember for all those who began their high school career at Byrd in 1976.

Renee James, a nominee for Freshman class president, worked diligently on her Algebra assignment.

Freshman class officers were: FRONT ROW: Glenda Holt, President; Johanna Manry, Vice-President; Dejuane Lindsay, Secretary; Audrey Miller, Treasurer. SECOND ROW: James Gray, Parliamentarian; Darryl Ball, Sergeant-at-Arms.

as They Began Their High School Career



Beginning their first high school year, Freshmen voted for class officers.

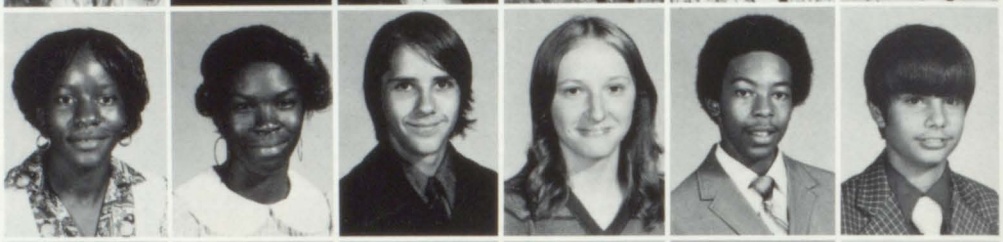
Todd Anders discussed a schedule change with his counselor, Mrs. Jackie Barr.

Jacqueline Payton became more involved with Byrd by participating in the band.

FRESHMEN Enjoyed the

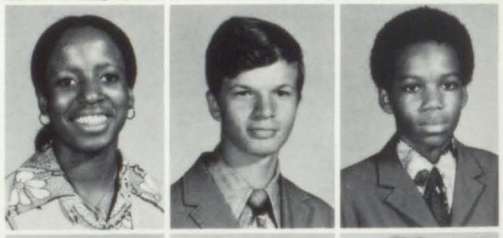
Gigi Adcock
Jeanette Allen
Mary Allison
Todd Anders
David Anderson
Craig Aple

Sandra Armer
Ruby Ashley
Elston Attaway
Martha Autry
Darryl Ball
Roger Barham



Lottie Barker
Taylor Barnes
Elizabeth Beattie
Robert Berry
Becky Bonnette
Nancy Boyd

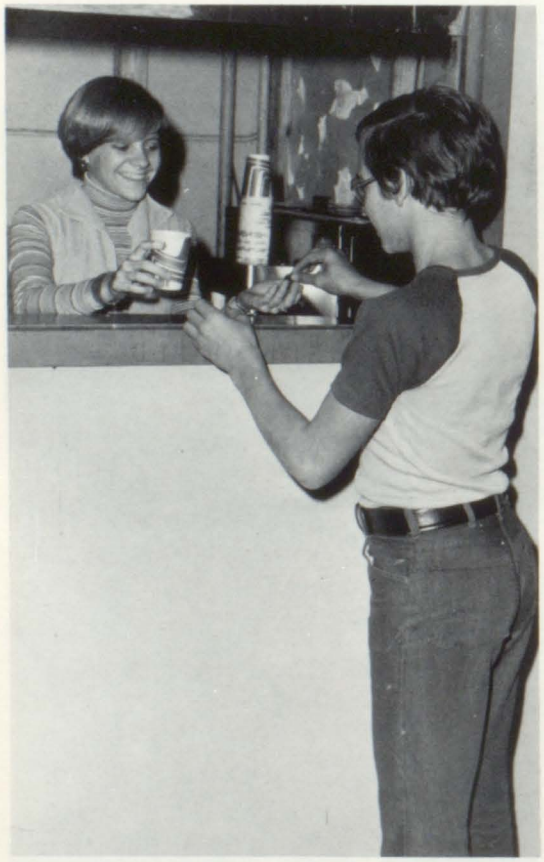
Audrey Bradford
Charles Canterbury
Darryl Carey



Terry Carrington
Sandra Chambers
Mary Cheatwood

Deborah Choat
Colette Clark
Carolyn Coleman

Steve Coleman
Carey Conner
Mary Dawson



Keith Woodley took a break between classes and bought a sippy from Kim Angevine.

Many Aspects of Byrd Life

John Demopulos
Cynthia Duffey
Linda Dyer
Lisa Farmer
Margie Farmer

Glen Fatheree
Jim Fenton
Virginia Fenton
Rita Foshee
Janette Fox

Martha Fricks
Landa Gaddy
Kim Gafford
Connie Giglio
Tammie Gilbert
Shannon Gill

Lydia Gilmore
Daphne Gipson
Robert Gordon
James Graham
Mark Gras
James Gray

Ramona Griffith
Lisa Guin
Sybil Hartner
Lyda Hazzard
Frank Hendrick
Debbie Hicks

Glenda Holt
Johnna Hudson
Gerald Hunt
Pamela Janes
Penny Johns
Sharon Johnson

Therese Johnson
Phil Jones
Valerie Kamla
Jacqueline Kennedy
Steve Kinel
Scott Lambert

FRESHMEN Became Involved in

Debra Leon
Bart Lester
Dejuana Lindsay
Joanna Llorance
Ronnie Long

Barbara Mahoney
Johanna Manry
LaWanna Marshall
Clifton Martwick
Felicia McCain

Tammie McCawley
Billy McKinney
Clifford Meshell
Vic Metcalf
Simone Metoyer

Bill Miles
Audry Miller
Ron Mitchell
Leroy Moore
Wendy Morgan
Donna Murphy

Katherine Nagel
Donette Nelson
Gloria Palmer
Regina Patton
Jacqueline Payton
Debbie Peter

Pam Phillips
Rosemary Rawls
Dexter Reed
Precious Reed
Howard Richardson
Sharon Richardson

Peter Rinaudo
Marc Robbins
Shawnee Robbins
Jean Rodgers
Joseph Roussel
Bonnie Ryals

Extra-Curricular Activities

Bessie Rye
Kitty Sanders
Angela Schneider
Cindy Shackelford
Alicia Smith
Phillip Smith

Tammy Speck
Ronnie Stafford
Elizabeth Stewart
Stella Stoddard
Charles Streetman
Richard Taliaferro

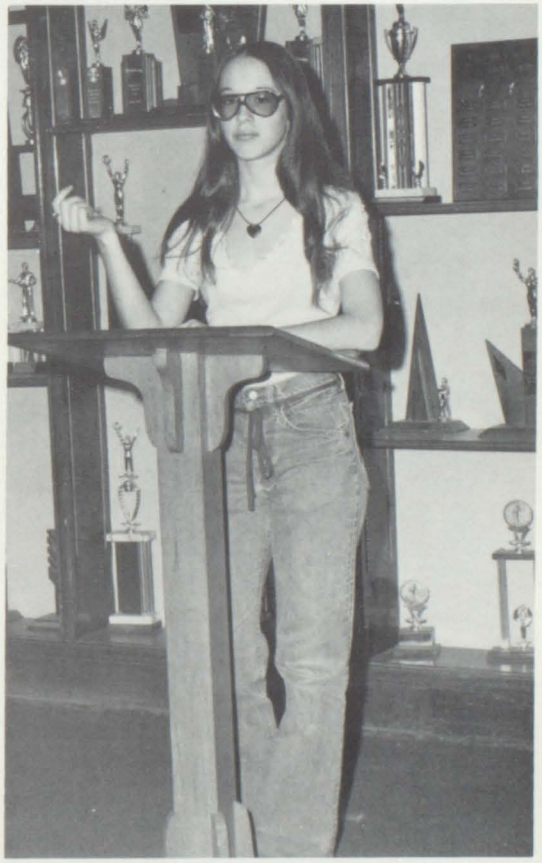
Heather Tatum
Jerry Teel
Darlene Toal
Donald Totton
David Trombetta
Shelia Tucker

Johnny Vincent
John Walker
Freida Williams

Judy Williams
Brenda Wilson
Carolyn Wilson

Renee Wilson
Frank Winderweedle
William Woodley

Jeanne Woolley
Sandra Wynn
James Young



Janette Fox presented an original oratory in her Speech class.

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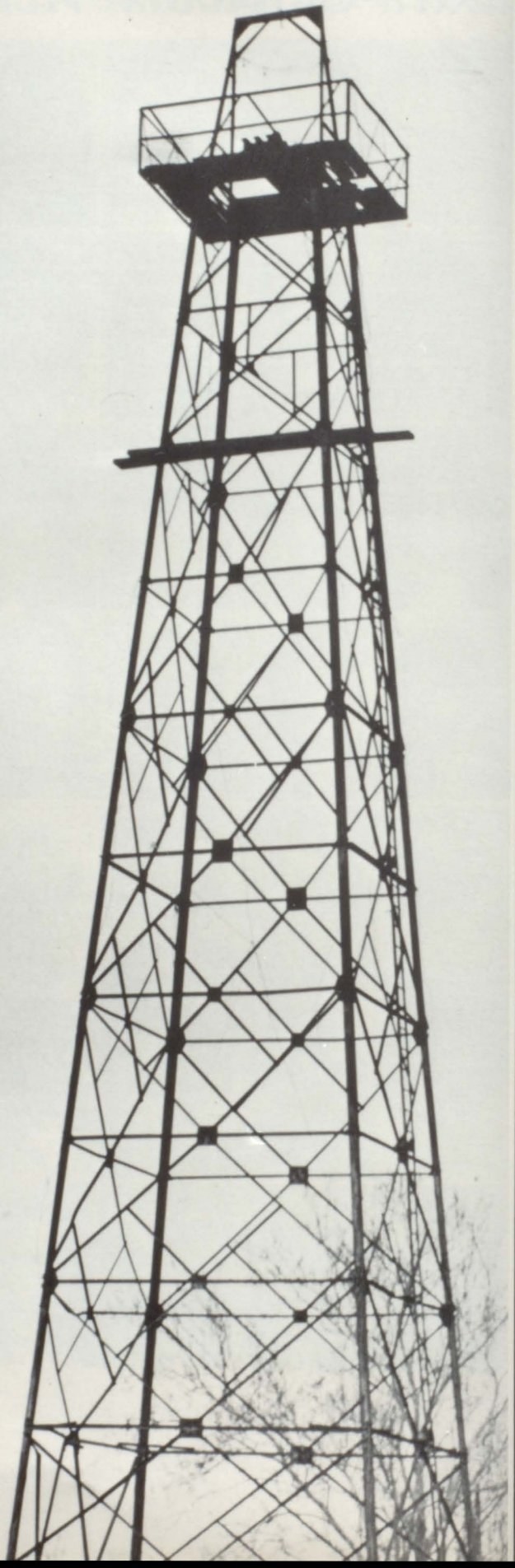
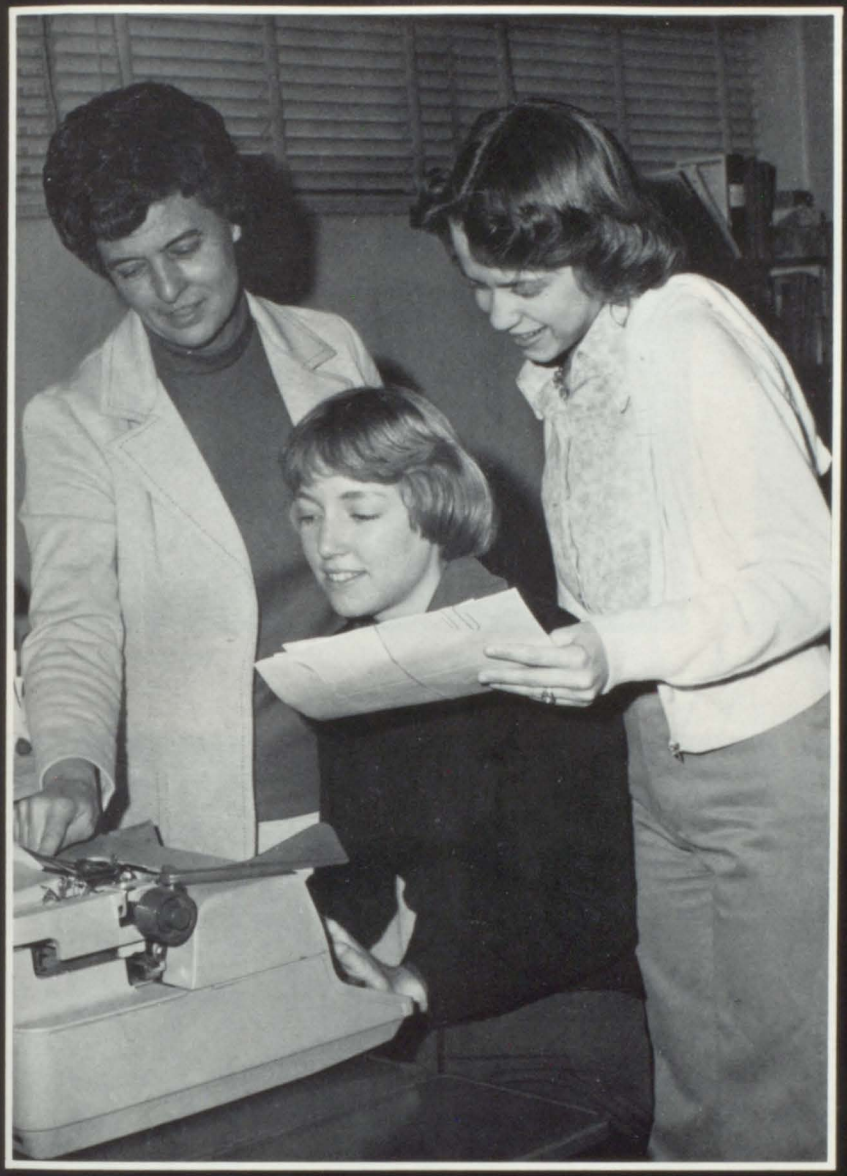




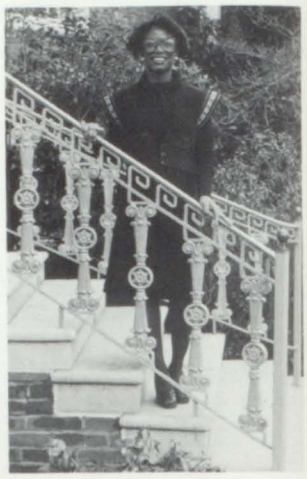
Without the advertisements, the GUSHER and other school publications could not have been printed. Since 1911 advertisers have promoted the GUSHER, and they still continue doing so today. Besides receiving permanent advertising, patrons also supported Byrd and their community by financing the largest yearbook in Shreveport.

TOP: Karen Risher and Dana Atkins worked on the billing of ads with Mrs. Phalamae Gray. BOTTOM: Margaret Bell was exuberant upon receiving an ad from Hearne's.
OPPOSITE PAGE: Although the GUSHER is not named for the oil derrick, the two are often associated.

Senior Favorite Nominees

Diane Cooper
Girl Runner-Up

Dwight Swiney
Boy Runner-Up



Annette Alexander

Twone Cooper

Ramona Emanuel

Gwen Johnson

Calvin Moore

John Patten

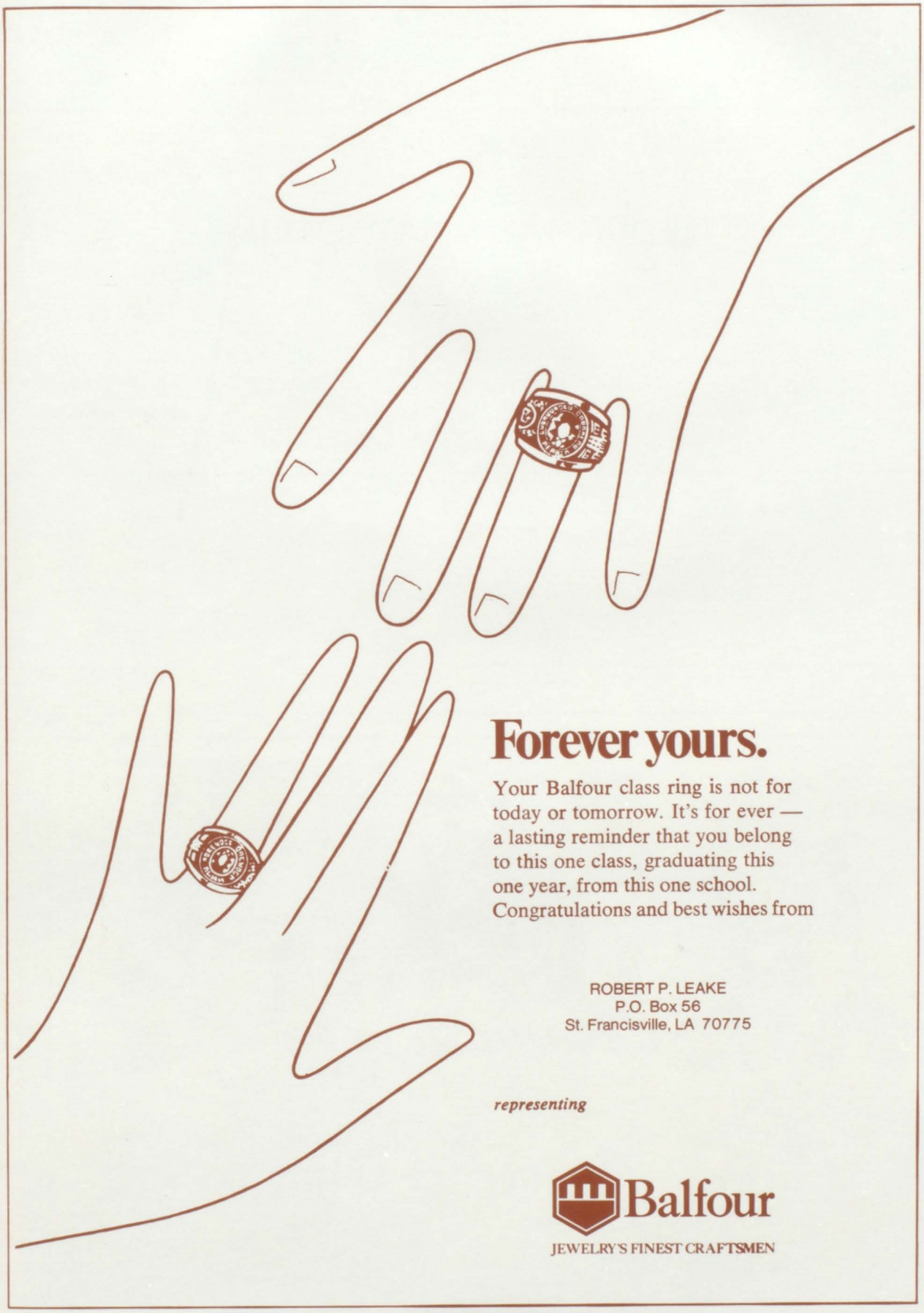
Alice Simmons

Sonia Sloan

Casey Thomas

Martin Walke

Kenneth Webb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Junior Class Candy Sale

Winners of the Junior class candy sale: Darryl Ball, fourth place winner; Cal Griffith, third place winner; Valerie Toliver, second place winner; Sandra Rushing, first place winner.

Those who sold all of their candy were:

Mary Jane Minor
David Bolton
Robin Horton
Greta Waller
Greg Preslar
Brad Kimbrell
Charles McLendon
Harriett Boddie
Pam McPherson
Liz Whittington
Tim Eaton
Deanna Booras
Pam Bagley
Billy Boswell
Donna Mayes
Wendi Bell
Lisa Guin
Heather Tatom
Regina McShan
Mike Reno
Lisa Warren
Terri Reed
Leigh Anne Kreeger
Adrienne Richmond
Debbie Sharpe
Byron Stringer
Donna Bradford
Phyllis Carter
Lynn Deason
David Many
Greg DeFatta
Cornelia Payton
Lois Wingfield
Darrell Muller
Robin Robbins
Colette Clark
Joyce Warren
Ramona Jamerson
Becki Hamm
Cynthia McFann
Susan Duncan
Gene Moncla
Kevin Michols
Margaret Pearson
Richard Reid
Joe Richardson
Melissa Miller
Eileen Nance
Donna Williams
Linda York
Randy Burnett
Cindy Efferson
Deb Williamson
Blaine Borders
Sherri Burleigh
David Caulkins
Nancy Coleman
Rob Dixon
Julia Knight
Tim Lambrecht
Elaine Mayo
Melissa Ray
Laura Renfro
Jan Rodwell
David Schwartz
Becky Seidensticker
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Denette DeYoung
Linda Mjaseth
Sheila Dew
DeJuana Lindsay

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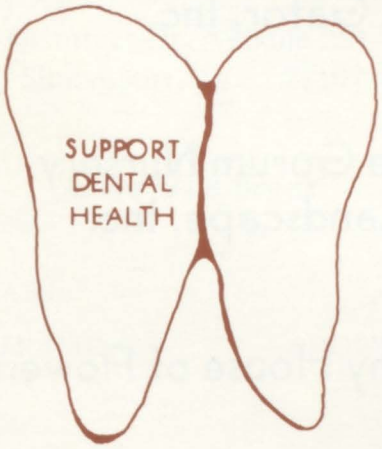

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Monica Montano waited anxiously for the outcome of a critical moment in game play.

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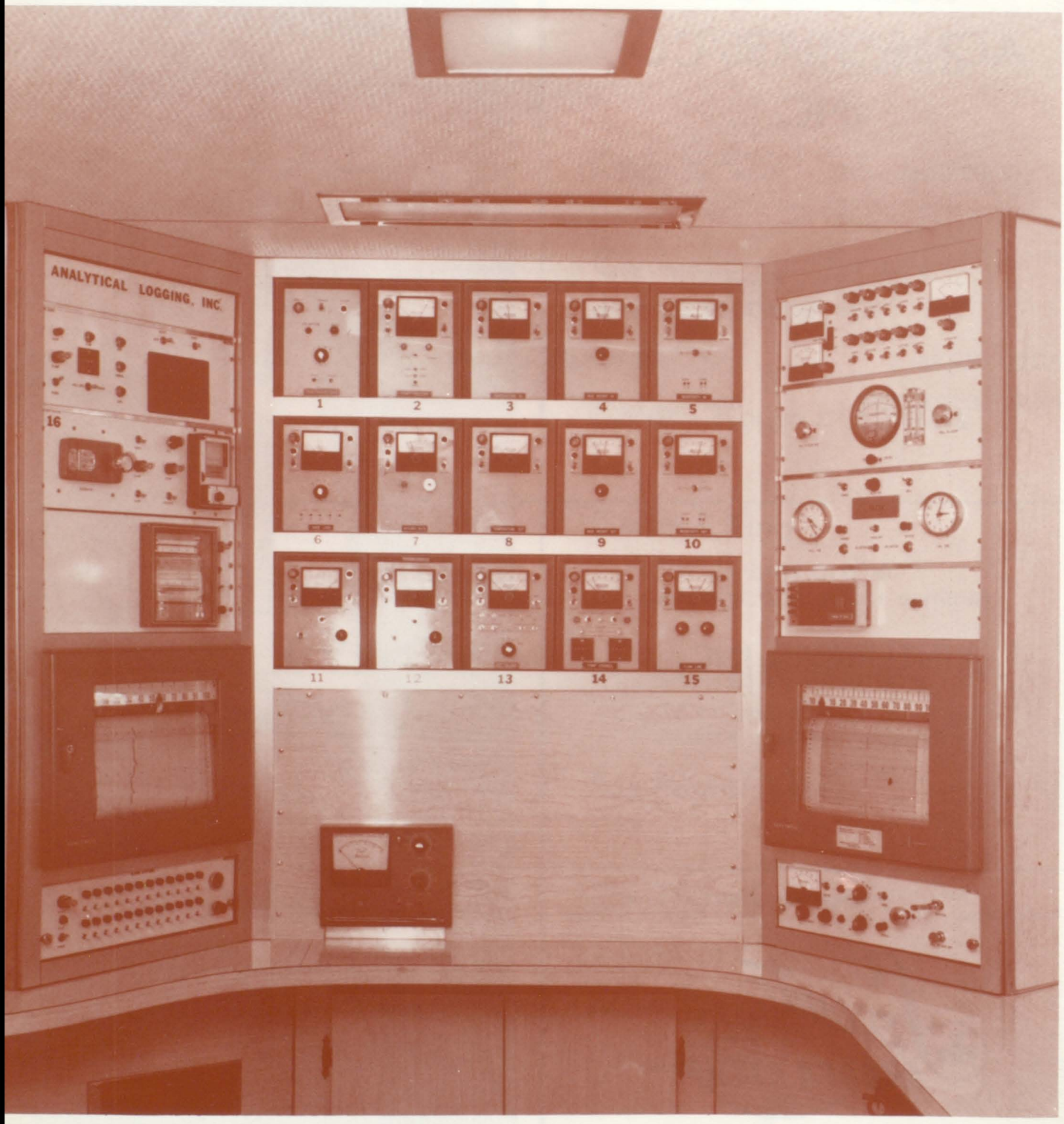

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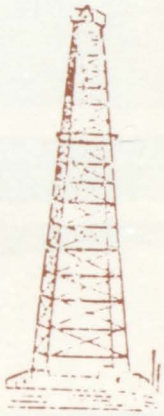

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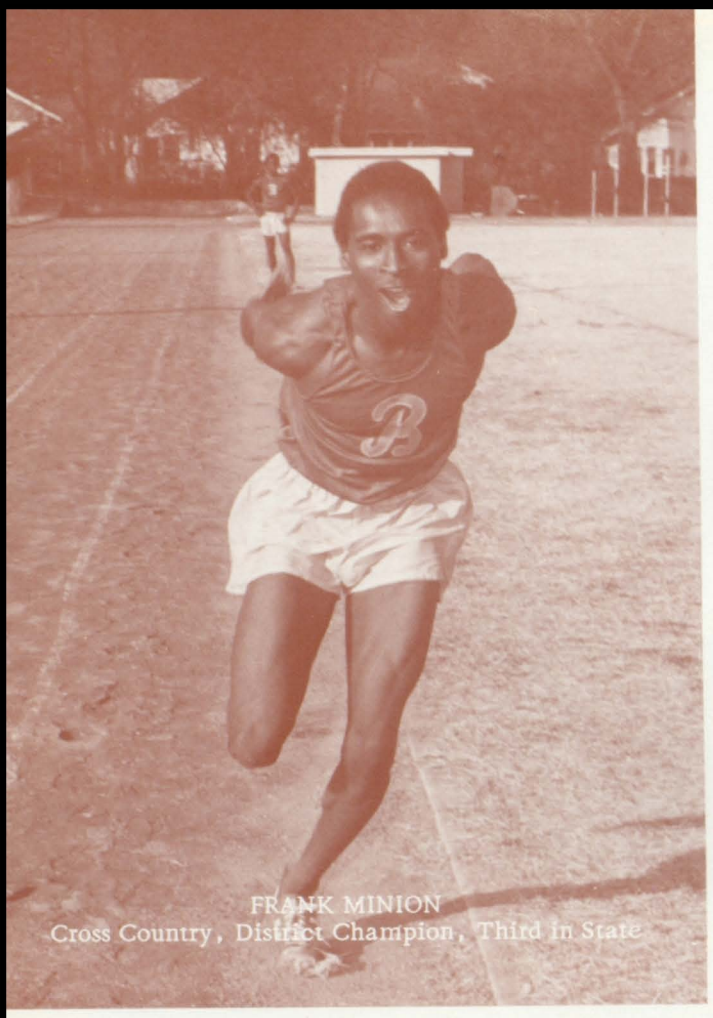

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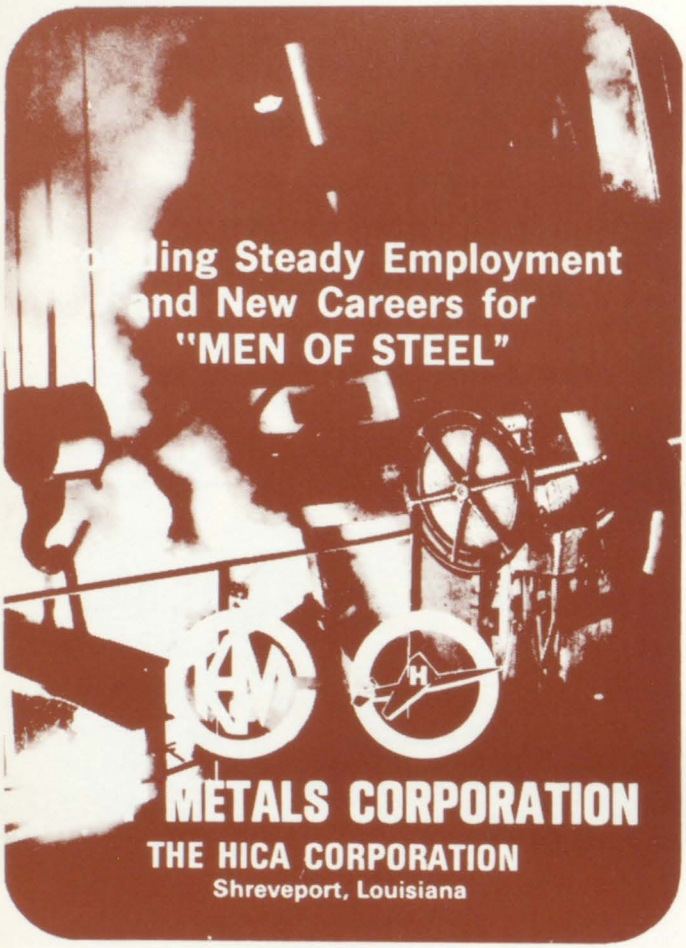

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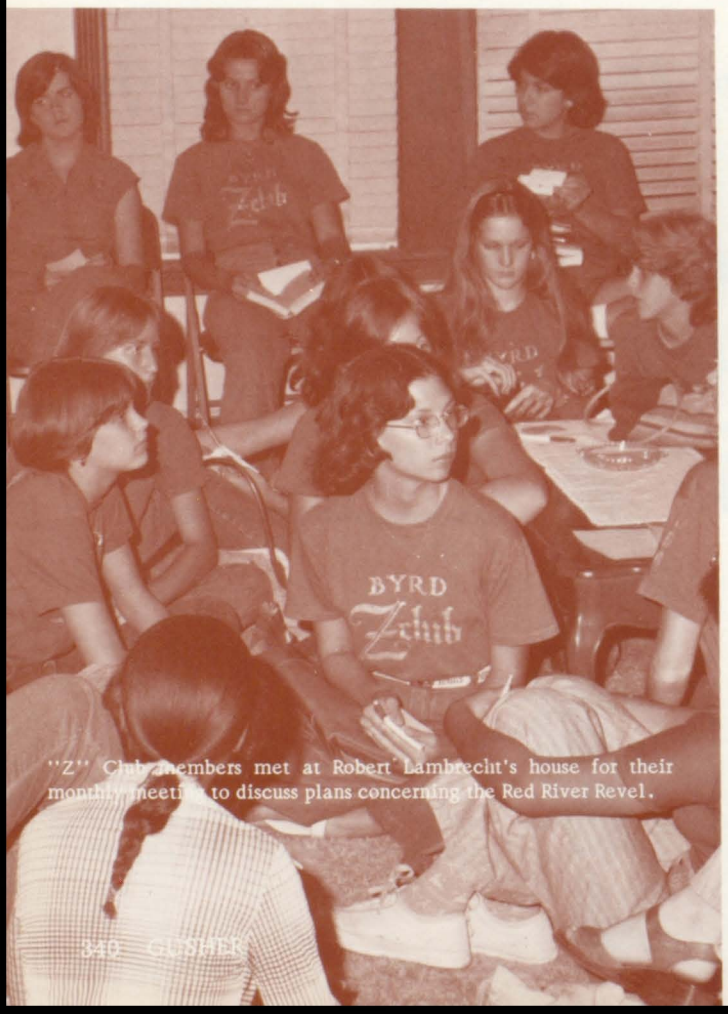

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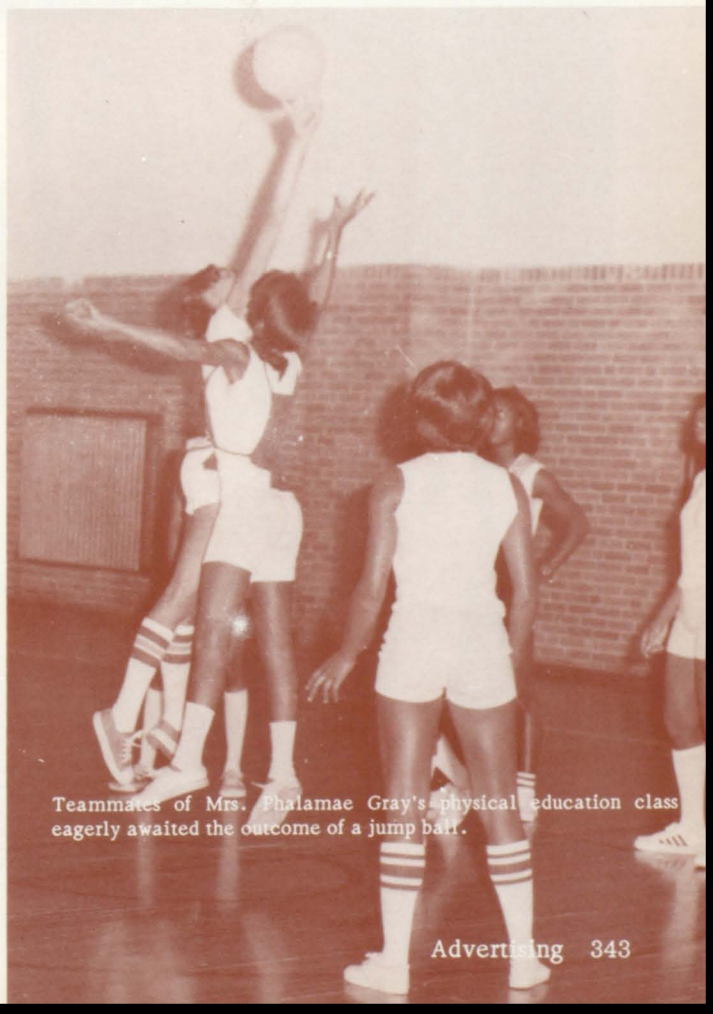

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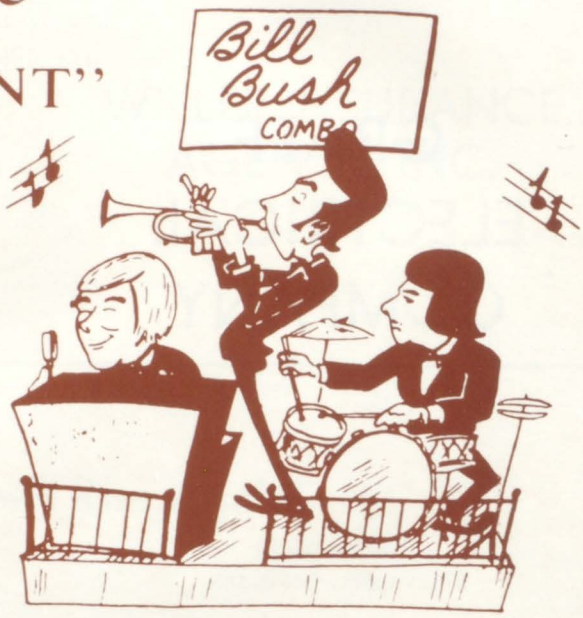

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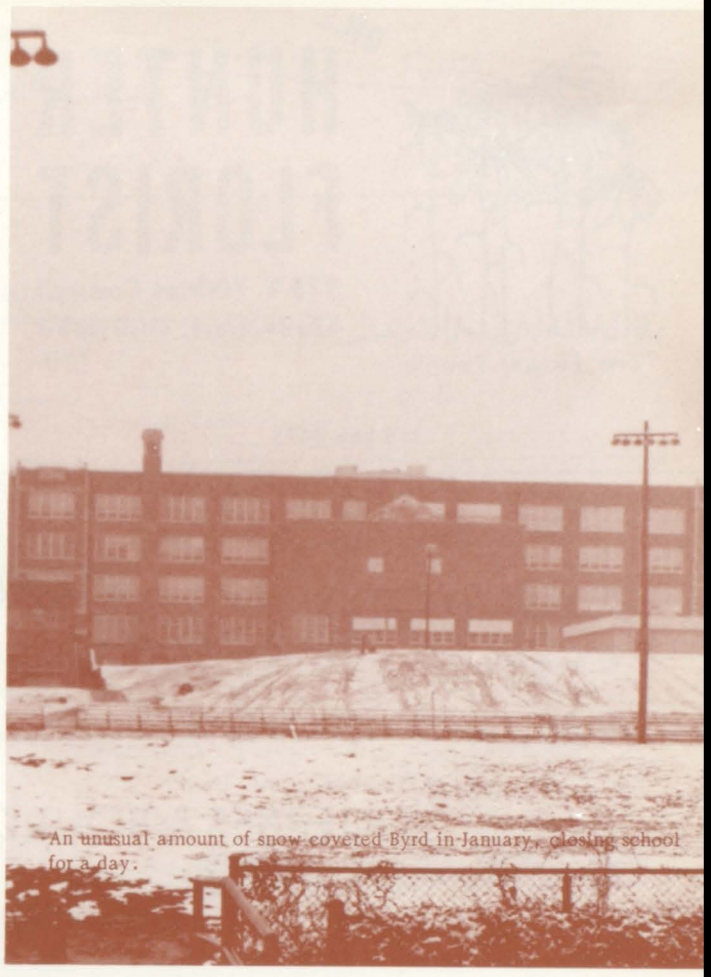

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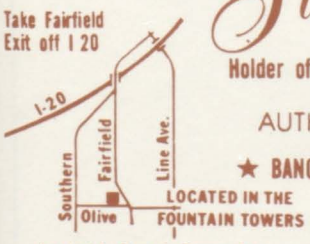

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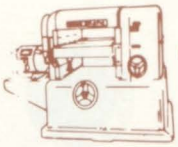

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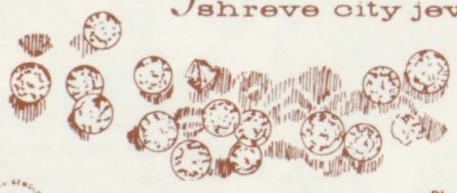

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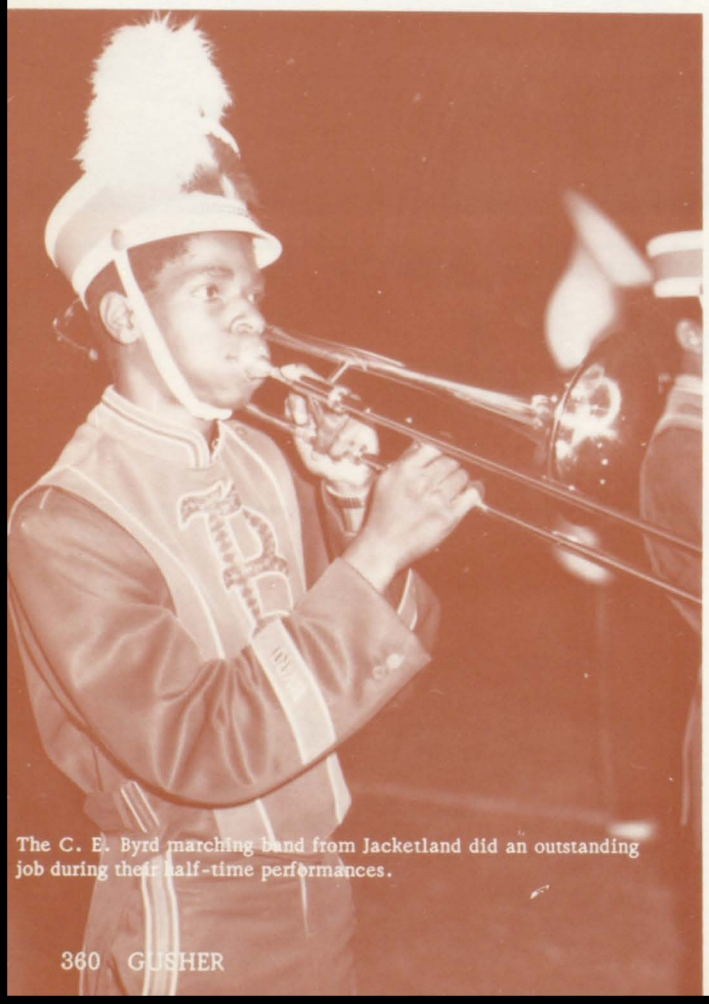

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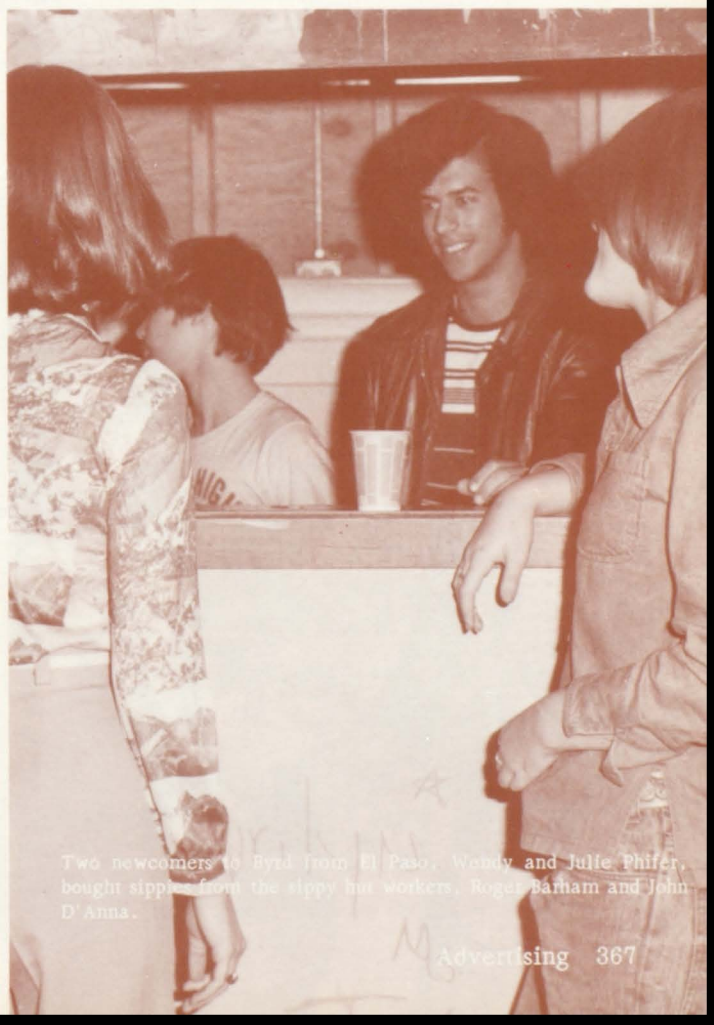

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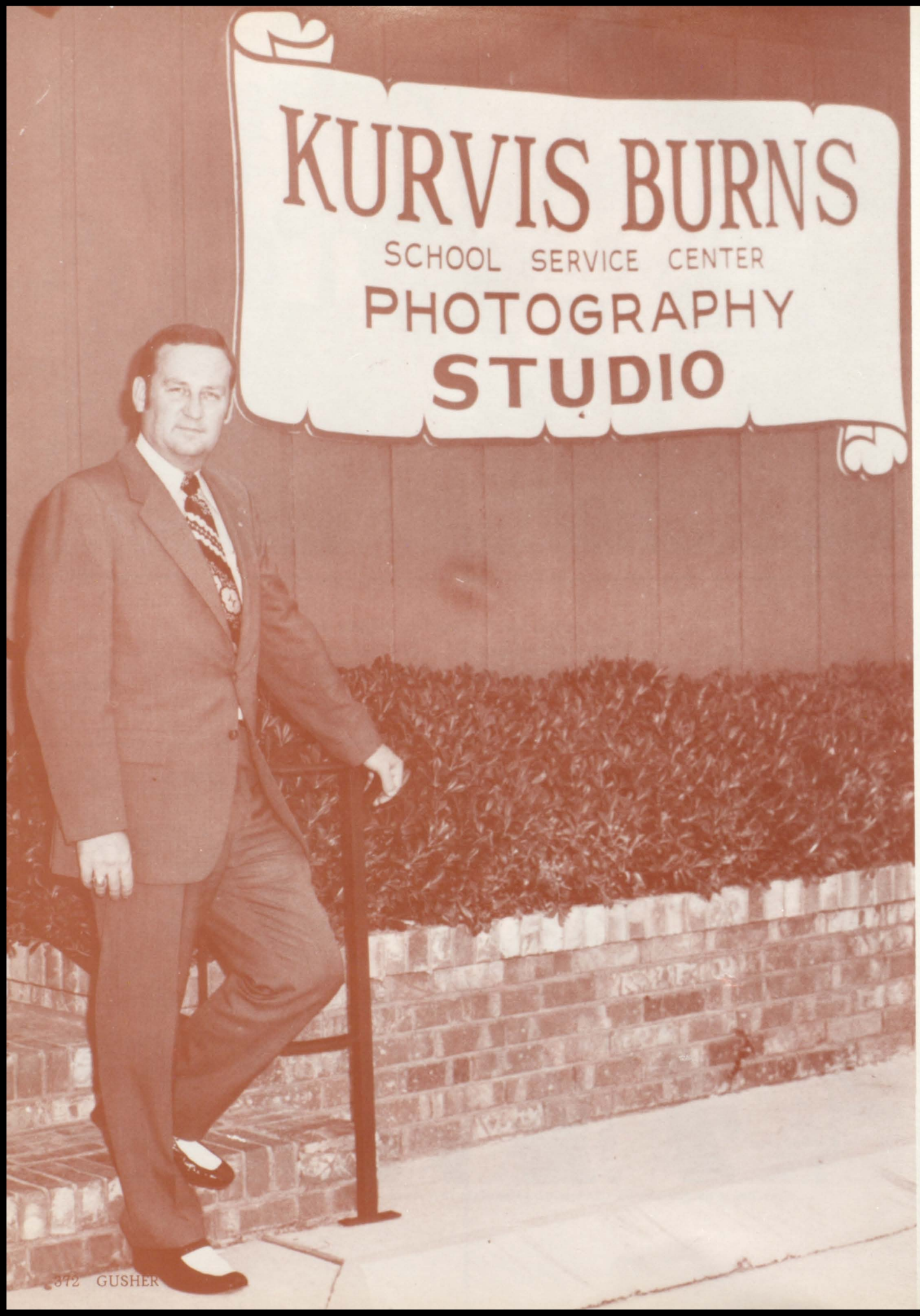
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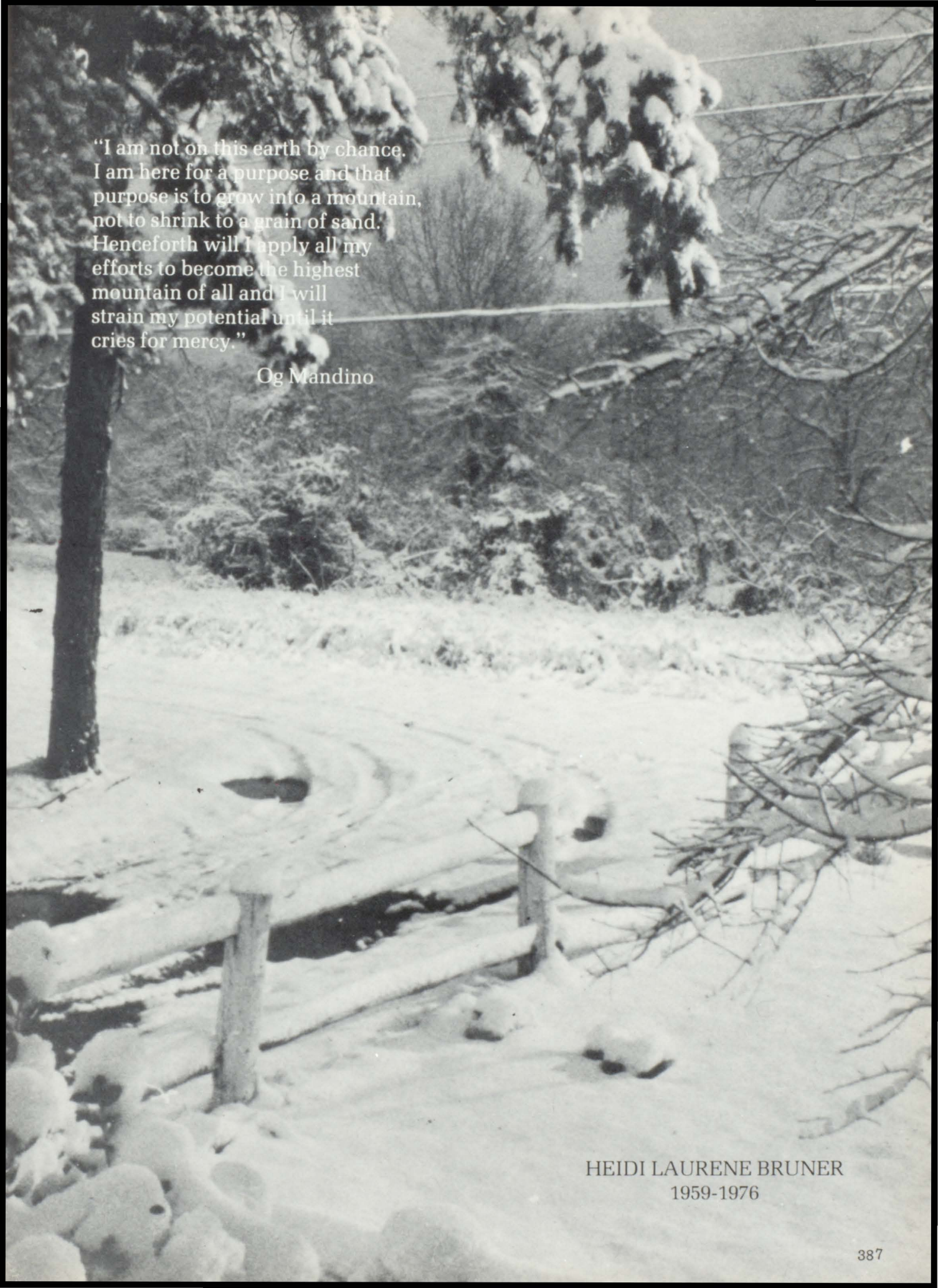
"I am not on this earth by chance.
I am here for a purpose and that
purpose is to grow into a mountain,
not to shrink to a grain of sand.
Henceforth will I apply all my
efforts to become the highest
mountain of all and I will
strain my potential until it
cries for mercy."
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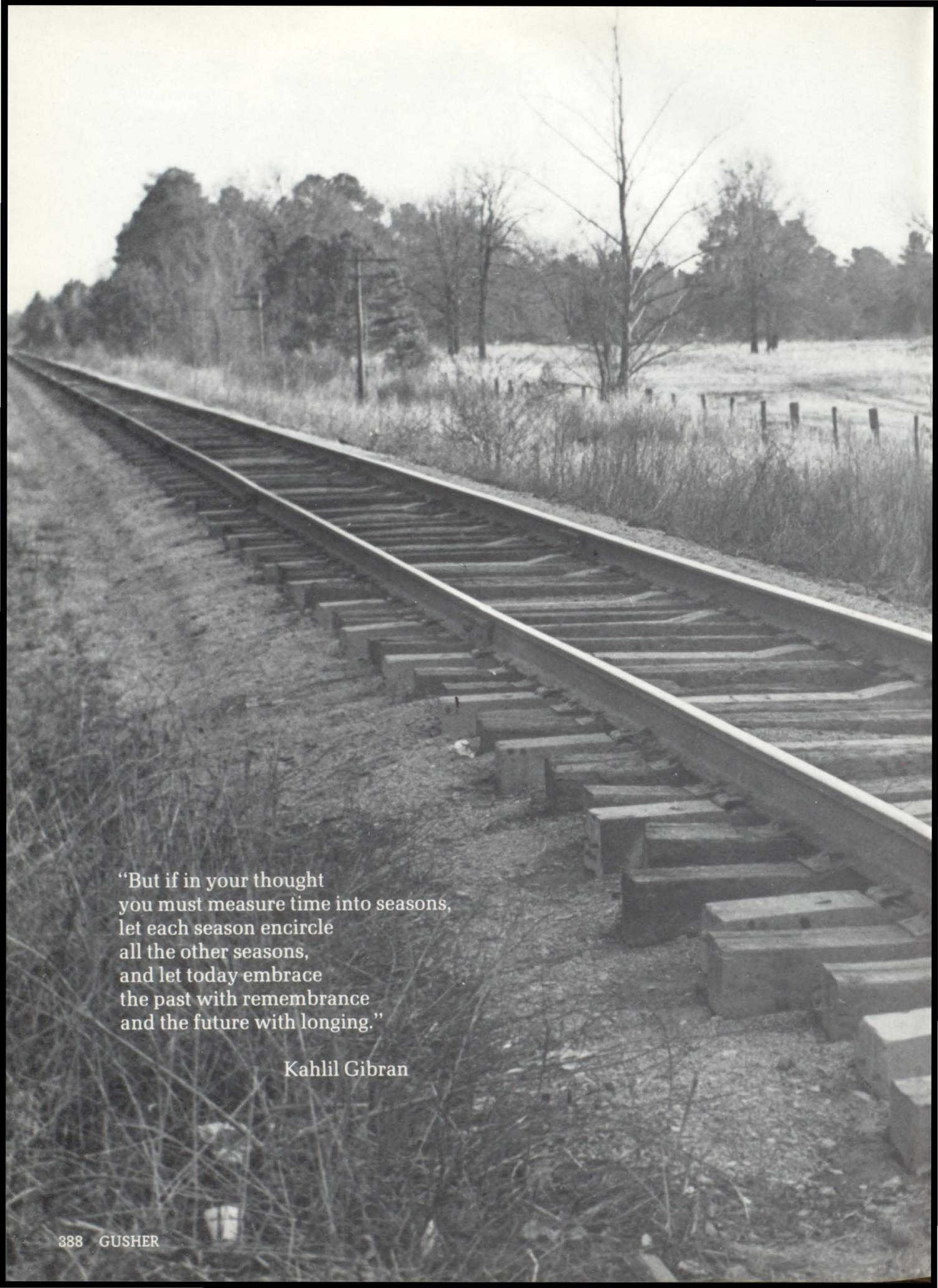

"But if in your thought
you must measure time into seasons,
let each season encircle
all the other seasons,
and let today embrace
the past with remembrance
and the future with longing."

Kahlil Gibran